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Embryonics: Quick profit multiplier

It wasn't that long ago that all bovine embryo transfers and artificial inseminations were done under sterile conditions using surgical procedures.

Now practically every rancher in the country is using the non-surgical, on-the-farm technique perfected and practiced by Dr. Albert Mills of Zachary in which a multitude of fertilized eggs are extracted from a donor cow and transplanted into a fertile recipient cow.

"All the pure bred operators do it. If they want to stay in the business they do it," said Mills.

It makes good economic sense to Chris Dickens of the Lazy D Ranch in Hattiesburg, Miss.

"I've got a Brahman cow that cost \$16,000. She is one of only six in the U.S. with these bloodlines. She's given us 33 fertilized eggs today," Dickens said.

Although the rate of successful pregnancies for Brahmans from embryo transfers is lower than that of the European breeds, the potential to multiply a herd from an outstanding specimen is still great.

"Ideally, the process can be done every two months, but some do it every month," Mills said. "Three years is about how long a cow can produce eggs like this."

The 11-12 day process begins when the rancher injects the donor cow with fertility drugs. On the fourth day of the injections, the donor cow is also given a dose of prostaglandin to cause her to go into *estrus* or heat. Within 12 hours after beginning her cycle, the cow's eggs will be fertilized by artificial insemination. Seven days



Dr. Al Mills suits up for a Brahman embryo transfer into a recipient cow. Pete Lopez assists.

after she begins *estrus*, her uterus is irrigated with a sterile buffered saline solution. The technician manipulates the solution throughout the womb and flushes the free-floating fertilized eggs out of the uterus through a catheter attached to a syringe.

Hopefully, she will have produced a number of fertilized eggs or embryos.

Of the 33 fertilized eggs that Dickens' Houston International JDH 289 Brahman produced during a recent embryo transfer session, four eggs are outstanding and four are marginal. All eight will be inserted into the uterus of half-Holstein, half-Brahman crossbreed recipient cows. Two other cows given the fertility drug produced no embryos.

For various reasons, on average, a quarter of the donor cows do not respond to the fertility drugs and produce no transferable embryos.

Simple math tells the farmer that if he gets a 60 percent success rate



from eight fertilized eggs every two months, he has the potential to replicate his investment about 30 times in a twelve month period, more if he flushes his donor cow every month.

Normally, a cow can birth a calf once a year.

The embryos are examined under a microscope and ranked according to the amount of cellular division and culled. Eggs showing the most cell division are graded the highest.

The technician, using a long, spaghetti-thin injector, inserts a

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Dr. A.C. Mills: Pioneer of portable embryonics

"Is this cow wet?" Dr. Albert Mills asks one of the Mexican farm hands at Lazy D Farms in Hattiesburg, Miss.

Told that the cow is indeed wet, that she's nursing a calf, "It means she is in prime shape to take an embryo," Mills explains.

To the farm hands, 60-year-old Al Mills of Zachary is just a technician who comes to the Lazy D periodically to do the matter-of-fact embryo transfers from the ranch's prized Brahman cows to the chosen recipient cows.

Although Mills would be embar-

rassed to be called the "father of portable embryonics," he was, in fact, the first to theorize and prove that fertilized bovine eggs could be flushed from the uterus of a cow and implanted into a recipient cow entirely on the farm and under non-surgical conditions.

"I was doing embryo flushing during my days at the University of Florida. That's where I got the idea that eggs could be removed without surgery," Mills says.

Subsequently, after perfecting the procedure, Mills employed as

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Agriculture & Forestry Today with Commissioner Bob Odom

Commissioner of Agriculture and Forestry Bob Odom is asking Louisiana veterinarians to be on the look out for cases of the viral disease monkeypox in the state's exotic animal population.

"There are no cases of monkeypox in Louisiana but we want to stay on top of this situation as we do with any new disease threat," Odom said.

Monkeypox is known to infect

prairie dogs, monkeys, rats, mice and rabbits, and recently has been diagnosed for the first time in humans in the United States in Wisconsin, Illinois and Indiana.

"We are aware that there are people in Louisiana who own exotic pets like prairie dogs and/or Gambian giant rats which can carry and transmit this disease if they are exposed to other animals with the disease," Odom said.

"Our animal health officials want to keep the lines of communication open with veterinarians throughout the state so that if this disease is ever found in Louisiana, we can notify the public immediately."

Odom said the recent news of monkeypox in humans in several states in the upper Midwest has also spawned another possible problem — people dumping their

exotic pets in the wild because they are afraid of diseases the animals may carry.

"In the last several years people have become more and more aware of diseases that animals carry and can transmit to humans. Many animal owners now are frightened because they didn't think of the risks of owning an exotic animal before they made their purchase," Odom explained.

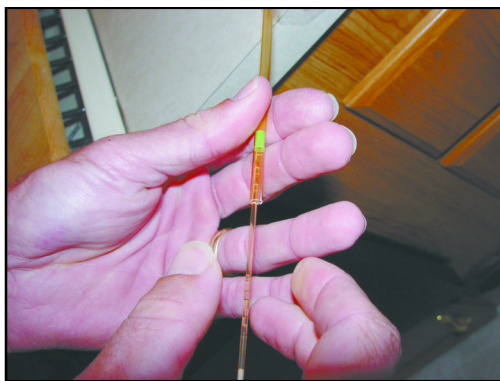
"It's important for them to act responsibly and not to simply dump an unwanted animal on the roadside. Then you risk exposing wild and domestic animals and the human population to diseases and illnesses sometimes carried by these exotic animals."

Odom said the only real solution for unwanted exotic animals is to have the animal euthanized by a veterinarian.



Cattleman Chris Dickens assists as Dr. Al Mills collects a Brahman cow's uterine fluid and her embryos into a syringe.

Fertilized microscopic embryos are transferred via catheter (below) from the donor Brahman cow into the womb of a recipient crossbreed to produce full sibling Brahman calves (right).



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assistants what became a core of trained individuals who fanned out across the country, started similar businesses, and made portable embryo transfer commonplace.

In the barn at the Lazy D, dust particles hang in the fetid air of the barn. Hardly the sterile environment you would normally expect for an operation of this kind.

Mills, dressed in knee-high rubber boots, full-length neoprene rubber apron and an arm glove, is waiting for the donor Brahman mothers to be herded into the squeeze chute.

Using a catheter, Mills skillfully coaxes the womb to flush out its fertilized eggs into an attached syringe.

"It's possible he may have performed the first non-surgical embryo transfer," says 26-year-old Mississippi State University animal science graduate Lande Johnson, Mills' lab technician for the day's procedures.

But Mills is definite.

"I had been playing with the idea of non-surgical techniques since my master's research in 1967 at LSU," says Mills, peering into the double lens of a microscope as he grades the quality of the fertilized eggs.

"I went to Saskatoon, Canada, as a consultant to help a group set up a surgical lab to do embryo transfers in 1975. It occurred to me as I was pulling manure from a cow that egg flushing and the transfer doesn't have to be done under surgical conditions. Nothing is exposed, it's all a closed system."

The Saskatoon firm did not seem interested in Mills' theories.

"They didn't want the ranchers to know this could be done non-surgically as they had spent a lot of money, so I returned to Louisiana convinced I could make it work. I did some Guernseys for my uncle's dairy farm in Zachary in 1977 and those were the first non-surgical,

on-the-farm embryo transfers."

Satisfied with the success of the procedure, Mills said it took about a year to get a significant number of ranchers and cattlemen interested.

News features in "Progressive Farmer" and "Farm Journal" in 1978 piqued national interest in Mills' work and a flood of calls to the Ph.D. from Florida followed.

"I was doing 5,000 embryo transfers when I was first in business. I was the only one doing it for the first five years and I've been doing it now for 26 years," Mills says.

Unfortunately, Mills owns no patents on the work procedures he pioneered, nor has he found time to write scholarly articles on the subject.

"I looked at what was patentable, but there's just too many ways to do this and when I first started in the business, I hit the ground running and I didn't take the time to write."

Mills pioneering work in embryo transfer has now become the industry standard, which has cut into his business. "Now there are several people in each state doing portable embryonics."

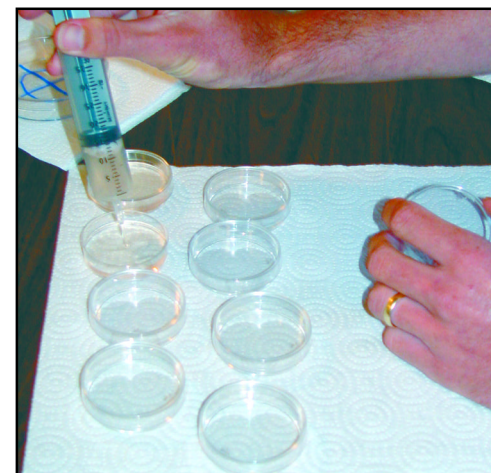
He has probably had some connection with the training of the more than 400 firms and individuals involved today in the portable embryonics field. He may have done his work too well. Technicians he trained in Montana broke away from him, taking a large chunk of his business in the process, but he has no bitterness largely because he is a spiritual man.

"It's all God's directions," says Mills.

"You know, fooling with these embryos, life begins right there. Some would say we're fooling with Mother Nature, but life begins at the embryo. I guess it's all made my spirituality a little deeper."



Chris Dickens' \$16,000 Brahman cow, one of only six in the country with its particular bloodlines, produced 33 fertilized eggs during a single cycle. Of the 33, eight were transferred to recipient cows.



Lab technician Lande Johnson (left) counts the fertilized eggs. Eight are determined to be worthy of transfer and are placed into individual Petri dishes (above). The remainder are discarded.

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single embryo into the uterus of a recipient cow, taking care to place the embryo on the ovarian side of the womb that the cow recently ovulated from.

About two-thirds of the time the procedure results in a pregnancy.

"The industry average is 60 percent, but it depends on the quality of the eggs, sometimes we get 75 percent and others we're barely able to get 50," Mills said.

The only part of the procedure that Mills uses that is under sterile

conditions is when he examines the embryos under the microscope.

"I go into the sterile laboratory trailer to examine the eggs to ensure there is no contamination, but some people put the microscope right there in the barn," Mills said.

CATTLE

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Reg. Longhorn pairs, w/reg. Beefmaster & Angus bulls, \$500/up. Larry Baudoin, Youngsville, 70592; (337) 364-0065.

Reg. Char. heifers, ready to breed, \$1000/1. Simone Chauvin, Raceland, 70394; (985) 537-6954.

Reg. Char. bulls, \$1000/1-up. Ridley Chauvin, Raceland, 70394; (985) 537-6954.

Polled Herefords, reg. bull, 3 yrs., 4-H, \$1800; (9) bred cows, (1) baldy, \$850/1; (8) heifers, \$600/1, or \$13,500/all. Bill Mysing, Mt. Hermon, 70450; (985) 795-0595.

BBU reg. Beefmasters, herdsire prospects, 4-H calves, very gentle, \$550/1-up. Bud Easterly, Brusly, 70719; (225) 921-4684.

Reg. 10 mo. Limousin bull, a positive imprint in your program, w/excel. background & EPD's, \$800/1. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 209-0026.

Reg. Char. bulls, ready for service, gentle, big, stout, clean & tested, Big Sky & Budsmysdad breeding, cert. herd, \$1500/1-up. Walter Lemoine, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-7939.

Beefmasters, high performing, quality open, bred, pairs & breeding age bulls, all cattle of age are classified U1 or U2 cert. herd & merit breeder, \$800/1-up. Mel Jackson, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 443-0203.

Crossbred cows, 4-6 yrs., bred 5-8 mos., \$485/1-up. D. R. Brown, Prairieville, 70769; (225) 673-6308.

(20) Blk.-red Simm. bulls, 15 mos. & older, some ½ fleck, solid, thick, 7 frame & down, performance, best dams & sires in breed, \$1500/1-up. Clint Worsham, Many, 71449; (318) 256-2233 or (318) 256-3356.

(37) Brangus heifers, 2 yrs., exposed to Angus bull, some already pregnant, \$825/1, if all taken. Harvey Gonsoulin, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 560-4058.

(15) Fresh roping steers & heifers avail., \$385. Brian Johnson, St. Landry, 71367; (318) 838-2919.

Pb blk. Simm. bull, 11 mos., nice, \$750; (4) open blk. heifers, 10 mos. & older, Fleckvick & Black Mick bloodlines, \$650/1, w/wo reg. papers. Mancel Brouillette, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-9922.

Hereford beef power, all from ton + bulls, guaranteed breeders, 100% Hereford, most w/certifi-

cates, cows, pairs, bulls, 1-2 ½ yrs., \$800-\$1200/1. Harold Loewer, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4487.

Red Angus bulls, show bull took 1st. place, La. 3rd Texas fat stock show, \$2000; bred cows, \$1200/plus. Jim Ortego, Carencro, 70520; (337) 234-6313 or (337) 896-7551.

Pb Texas Longhorn bull, 6 yrs., mother from W.R. herd, father is Brawl from Travis Peak ranch, \$950. Dottie Nichols, Leesville, 71446; (337) 239-3152.

Polled Hereford bulls & heifers, 6 mos., \$350-\$450. Marvin Zeigler, Denham Springs, 70726; (225) 665-3223.

Reg. Limousin bull, w/papers, 6 yrs., \$700. A. P. Rachel, Sr., Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-4361.

Reg. polled Char. bulls, 1 yr., grandsons of HBR program Z97, '02 multi-trait leader, excel. EPD's & disp., \$750. Joel Pigott, Pearl River, 70452; (985) 863-5008.

Reg. Simm. & Simbrah cattle, heifers, bulls & pairs, \$550/1-up. B. G. Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

Reg. pb polled, breeding age Char. bulls, \$1000. Anthony Pitt, Scott, 70583; (337) 232-2452.

Reg. blk. Angus bulls & heifers, 12-14 mos., cert. Brucellosis free herd, \$1000/1-up. M. J. Hebert, Youngsville, 70592; (337) 856-4277.

BBU Beefmaster bulls, red, gentle, pasture wise, good bloodlines, clean lines, 17 mos., \$775/1. Freddie Carter, Greensburg, 70441; (225) 222-4368.

Reg. polled pb Char. heifers, 8-9 mos., \$700/1-up; reg. yrlg. bulls, \$825/1-up. Louis Quave, Bush, 70431; (985) 886-5557 or Peter Feringa, Covington, 70433; (985) 871-0317.

Reg. Brangus cattle, select heifers, 2 yrs., open, \$850/1; (2) reg. cows, bred, calving 10/03, \$900/1. John Hartman, Kaplan, 70548; (337) 643-6202.

Reg. Angus & Char. yrlg. bulls, \$800/1-up; (1) reg. Char. bull, 3 ½ yrs., \$1200. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4094.

Reg. BBU Beefmaster bulls, Classic Cotton bloodline, good conform., clean underline, ready for service, \$850/1. Gaston Gerald, Greenwell Springs, 70739; (225) 654-8816.

Reg. Char. bull, gentle, 2/2/02, EPD's 3-24.1-41.3-19.7-31.8, \$1250. Tom Burns, Folsom, 70437; (985) 796-9455.

Braford heifers, exposed to Brangus bulls, all shots & gentle, \$750/1; Brangus bulls, 2 & 3 yrs., \$1250/1-up. John Boudreaux, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 893-6743.

Char. bulls, Rolling R Ranch, \$1500-\$2000. Fred Rodosta, Opelousas, 70670; (337) 948-6511 or (337) 948-3926.

(3) Corriente-Longhorn cross bulls, (1) horned Hereford bull, all 2 yr. w/good horn bases for roping stock, gentle & recently wormed, \$325/1. Jim Herring, Pineville, 71360; (318) 445-2275 or (318) 448-5408.

Polled Hereford bulls, 6 mos., excel. quality, gentle, great EPD's, embryo calves, ready to wean,

\$600/1-up. Laura Hughes, Zachary, 70791; (225) 658-5348.

Simm. bull, born 7/30/01 & heifers born 3/15/01, w/calf, both reg. & pb, bull, \$1500; heifer & calf, \$1500. Bobby Lafleur, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4215.

(15) Fresh roping steers, heifers avail., \$385/1. Brian Johnson, St. Landry, 71367; (318) 838-2919.

Reg. Char. cattle, 3/N/1's, \$1200-\$1500; bulls, 18-21 mos., \$1000-\$1500/1; open heifers, \$700/1. Harry Comeaux, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 662-3270.

Char. bulls, \$800/1-up. Clyde Orgeron, Lockport, 70374; (985) 532-5176.

Pb blk. Simm. bull, 18 mos., gentle, easy calving, all shots, just off forage base test gaining over 4.0 A.D.G., \$1500. Charles Macip, Port Barre, 70577; (337) 942-9123.

(2) Pair crossbred cows, (1) heavy bred cow, 6-7 yrs., avg. wt. 1000 lbs., \$1800/all. M. Bridges, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 229-3806.

Reg. Limousin brood cows, reds & blks., all polled, open, bred, 3/N/1's, \$800/1-up. Brent Deshautelle, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-6495.

(6) F-1 Brahman x Angus, 26 mos., (4) w/calves at side, \$1150/1; (4) crossbred cows, 5-8 yrs., calves at side to blk. Angus bull, \$750/1. Brent Dauzat, Effie, 71331; (318) 253-9242.

(21) ½ Blk. Sim. & ½ Brangus heifers, 15 mos., ready for breeding, solid blk., moderate thick, gentle, all alike, \$1100/1, firm. Clay Worsham, Many, 71449; (318) 256-2233 or (318) 256-3356.

Reg. polled Hereford bull, 2000 lbs., 6 yrs., good natured, gentle, \$1400. Albert Waites, Deville, 71328; (318) 466-9546 or (318) 715-1943.

Heifers, cows & pairs, pb Limousin & Limousin Belgian Blue cross, \$400/1-up. John Richard, Evangeline, 70537; (337) 824-1795.

(25) Crossbred Braford heifers, bred to Angus bull, \$700/1. Johnny Gaudet, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 898-1699.

(32) Brangus prime heifers, exposed to Brangus bull, shot records, gentle, \$675/1. Todd Landry, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 715-2598.

Pb polled Char. bulls, \$650/1-up, approx. \$1/lb., a few heifers avail. Terry Truxillo, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 839-5374.

Reg. blk. Angus heifers, 8-9 mos., \$500-\$550/1. Clinton Breland, Angie, 70426; (985) 848-9213.

Pb Char. bull, polled, no bad habits, gentle, \$1100. Philip Melancon, Church Point, 70525; (337) 873-6232.

Longhorn bull, 8 yrs., good color, calves to show, \$1200. W. Bryant, Leesville, 71446; (337) 537-2423.

(2) Char. bulls, polled, 13 mo., \$700; horned 14 mo., \$800; (2) wean. age bull calves, \$500; Char. x Brahman heifers, \$450/1-up. Billy Reeves, Merryville, 70653; (337) 825-8944.

Brangus heifers, blk., pb, commercial, out of reg. stock, weaned, cond. & gentle, 6-7 mos., excel. starter herd, calving ease, high

growth, good milk, \$475/1. Bill Clattenburg, Montpelier, 70744; (225) 777-4909.

Yrlg. Gelbvieh bulls, out of grand champ. Louis, \$1200/1-up. Dotti Knost, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-8044.

Red Angus bull, 3 yrs., LSU tested, \$1500. Homer Knost, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-8044.

Pb Shorthorn steer, 4-H embryo transplant, La. bred, born 10/1/02, champ. bloodline, \$1850. Dennis Hymel, Vacherie, 70090; (225) 265-2321.

Blk. Angus bull, \$850. C. G. Nugent, Georgetown, 71432; (318) 827-5935.

(400) Blk. & blk. baldy Brangus type heifers, \$600-\$700/1. Gary Anderson, Cloutierville, 71416; (318) 379-0980.

(35) F1 Angus Santa Gertrudis heifers, exposed to blk. bulls, \$650. Don Scaife, Many, 71449; (318) 256-5447.

Reg. Brangus bulls, 17 mos., blk. gentle, calving ease, ready for light service, \$1000/1. Sharlane Clattenburg, Montpelier, 70744; (225) 777-4909.

(2) Reg. Brangus bulls, 18 mos., \$2500/1-up; reg. Brangus heifers & bull, 7 mos., \$700/1, show heifers & bull prospects avail. Dale Clark, Rayne, 70578; (337) 873-8188.

Limousin reg. bulls & heifers, polled, dbl. blk., A1 sires, great EPD's, heavy muscle, \$1200/1-up. Terry Fox, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 364-4241.

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2 Yr. reg. QH sorrel geld., started, sire Sir Teddy Zippo, dam by Ziploose-N-Fancy, \$2250; 1 yr., reg. QH sorrel stallion, sire is Zipididoodah, \$1500. Dennis Crain, Winnsboro, 71295; (800) 228-8423 or (318) 435-4280.

Reg. mare, 4 yrs., big, muscled, super handle, great all around horse, \$3500. Lisa Topham, Patterson, 70392; (985) 399-6879.

2001 Sorrel colt, sire is Peponitas Acre, dam is Ann Oakley by Doc's Oak, started, \$3500. Richard Morvant, Jr., Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 447-8165.

1995 Young Gun geld., good handle, light turn back use, excel. penning/sorting prospect, sound, easy keeper, smart, good for any rider, \$3000. Larry Fontenot, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-0629.

3/N/1 mare w/filly, mare is N/H, sire is Mistern Tradition, dam is Mirror Mirror out of Call Me Impressive, \$1250, others avail.,

\$1000/below. Billy Jarrell, Pine Grove, 70453; (225) 777-4484.

AQHA pal. mare, pal. paint mares, sorrel, buckskin, blk. & wh. studs, colts, (14) total, \$750/1-up; donkeys & burrows, mini & wh., \$300-\$500/1. Shelia Wills, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-5197.

2003 Stud colts, King top & bottom, yrlg. pal. stud, \$1500/1; 3 & 4 yr. geldings, will consider trades for King mares. Danny & Dee Newman, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 730-6622.

1999 AQHA gray geld., Doc's Budha & Go Man Go grandson, good handle, excel. ranch horse, \$3500, good barrel prospect. John Boudreaux, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 893-6743.

Reg. miniature, liver colored stallion, 5 yrs., very gentle, must see to appreciate, \$350. Earl Jones, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 654-2417 or page (225) 322-6508.

Reg. TW blk. mare, w/colt, \$2000; reg. spotted saddle, w/paint colt, rebred to paint stud, \$1800. Paul Broussard, Broussard, 70518; (337) 837-1368.

2003 Weans. & 2 yrs., all colors & riding horses, Peppy San Badger, Doc O'Vegas Boy, Doc O'Lena, Dry Doc, Peppy San, Doc Sugs, Freckles Playboy, Peponita, Cactus Ben bloodlines, \$1000/1-up. Debra Gentile, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

(2) '01 AQHA bay stallions, dbl. bred Peppy San Badger & Doc O'Lena, Doc Sugs, Doc Bar, Tangery Gin, Captain Joker, started under saddle, \$2000/1; '99 AQHA golden pal. geld., used for trail rides, \$2000 obo. Dean Gentile, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-9562 or (225) 234-2322.

AQHA weans, yrlgs. & mares, pal., buckskins & sorrels, all working bred, Skip-W, Peppy San Badger, Two-Eyed Jack, Puddenhead, \$1000/1-up. Wayne Soileau, Reddell, 70580; (337) 468-3516.

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Bob Odum, Commissioner

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1995 APHA tobiano geld., sound, good handle, nice looking, will track calves, placed & won W. Pleasure classes, \$3500. R. Perieux, St. Martinville, 70582; (337) 394-8807.

Reg. pb Arab. stallions, mares, colts & fillies, Egyptian/Spanish bloodstock, Ibn Halima, Morafic, Kabull, Barich de Washoe bloodlines, \$1500/1-up. Jeff Dupre, Washington, 70589; (337) 585-2642.

Dbl. reg. blk./wh. gaited stud, 6 yrs., proven sire, hip injury prevents showing, sweet natured, easy breeder, saddle work started, breeding & pleasure only, \$1200. Donavan Stoute, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 585-2642 or (337) 351-3815.

1991 AQHA sorrel mare, w/red roan filly, out of Bobby Beduino, the mare is out of Woodstock Brown & Its Bedtime, \$2500. Shane Seal, Sulphur, 70663; (337) 527-5426.

2002 AQHA cremello stallion, Doc Bar, Sport Model & Blondy Dude bred, dbl. dilute gene, breed your sorrel mare & get a pal., guaranteed, \$2500. Jane Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

2002 Pal. stallion, Doc Bar, Blondy Dude & King Bred, 4th gen. dilute gene, should mature to 16 hands, great disp. & conform., great asset to any breeding program, \$2500. Mike Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA gorgeous foundation weans. & yrlgs., many to choose from, cremello, blk., pal. & buckskins, Doc Bar, Sport Model & Hancock bred, must see, \$1200/1-up. Anthony Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

2003 AQHA colts, Colonel Freckles, Little Peppy, Puddenhead, bloodlines, gentle, lots of cow sense, good disp., \$900/1-up. Daniel Lyons, Church Point, 70525; (337) 945-0364 or (337) 684-6751.

2002 AQHA colts, Colonel Freckles, Little Peppy bloodlines, halter broke, gentle, lots of cow sense, good disp., \$1200/1-up. Barrett Lyons, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 288-0887 or (337) 543-2176.

Yrlgs. Smart Lil Lena, Colonel Freckles, Handle Bar Doc, Gay Bar King, extra fancy, great movers, awesome prospect for cutting or performance, \$1500. Kathy Simoneaux, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-1880.

Impressive paint mare, \$1250; Skipper Star mare & filly, \$1500; Village Hero, yrlg., \$1500; Jet Deck, La. bred, \$2500. Harry Latiolais, Carencro, 70520; (337) 234-1981 or (337) 247-3262.

Reg. Min. horses & mules, (23) to pick from, \$450/1-up, 2 yr. Welsh, \$350; 2 yr. geld., \$450. Homer Cunningham, Albany, 70711; (225) 567-3522.

APHA stud, '95, chestnut/tobiano, great ranch horse, easy keeper, calm, used to ride, rope & cut cattle, hauls easy, \$5000 or trade for cattle. Robert Ensminger, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 463-8696.

Big, beautiful, gray geld., 7 yrs., started on barrels, good jumper prospect, \$1600. Rachel

Wimberley, Church Point, 70525; (337) 684-3215.

AQHA geld., Puddenhead, shown district & state, great disp., 6 mos. pro training, \$3500; reg. paint mare, 4-H shown, overo, \$2000; mini-stallion, 3 mos., \$400. Melissa Henry, Patterson, 70392; (985) 395-6015.

Outstanding '02 App. stud colt, 14 hands, 750+ lbs., great conform., must see to appreciate, \$2000. Ricky Sims, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 715-6726 or (225) 644-0211.

AQHA proven son of Special Effort fillies & colts, 1-3 yrs., out of Blondy's Dude mares, all horses microchipped, \$750/1-up. Butch Martin, Braithwaite, 70040; (504) 682-2467.

Reg. TW stallion, dapple-gray, WGC of JFK & Pride's Generator, 3 yrs., great disp., broke to ride, extra smooth, good breeder, \$2800, firm. Jack Johnson, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-8981.

AQHA 15 mo. bay stallion Zips Boston Pine Bar, Zips Chocolate Chip on papers, ROM & hall of fame bloodlines, great disp., \$1500, others avail. Jim Thompson, Springfield, 70462; (225) 294-7976.

AQHA 16 mo. roan filly Baby Blue Valentine, Two-Eyed Jack, Blue Valentine, Hancock bloodlines, great disp., foundation registerable, \$1500. Patti Thompson, Springfield, 70462; (225) 294-7976.

Yrlgs., all cutting bred, all gentle, \$1000/1-up. Brian Johnson, St. Landry, 71367; (318) 838-2919 or (318) 447-2919.

Roping horse, 10 yrs., heads & heels, Col. Freckles' grandson, bay, solid & sound, \$5000. David Stewart, Zachary, 70791; (225) 654-0886.

Reg. racking horse geld., 4 yrs., blk. w/4-wh. stockings, very gentle, would make a great parade horse, \$3000. Charles Dove, Winnsboro, 71295; (318) 435-2217.

APHA buckskin breeding stock mare, w/2003 foal at side, open or bred back, green broke, big mare, \$1800. Sam Moran, Ethel, 70730; (225) 658-4914.

1994 AQHA chestnut mare, w/sorrel colt by Bobby Beduino, mare out of Easy Request & Rosewood Brown, \$2500. Roxanne Vincent, Sulphur, 70663; (337) 527-5353.

1986 AQHA buckskin mare, great broodmare or child's horse, Feb. '03 bay colt at side, well bred pair, \$1800. Marty Brouillette, Kentwood, 70444; (225) 222-4745.

Reg. TW, (25) weans. & yrlgs., all colors, gentle, good bloodlines, \$1000/1-up. L. D. Spears, Dry Creek, 70637; (337) 328-7365.

QH mare, 5 yrs., w/3 mo. filly at side, both very gentle, \$950. E. Guillory, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 826-5350.

(2) Well bred yrlg. fillies, \$2000/1; (1) broodmare, 7 yrs., w/colt at side & rebred, \$2500; (1) 7 yr. paint, w/filly at side, believe in foal, \$1000. L. Miller, Scott, 70583; (337) 234-3464.

AQHA pal. filly, 2 yrs., wh. stockings & blaze, \$2500. Jason Faul, Roanoke, 70581; (337) 753-2634.

(2) AQHA reg. fillies, (1) yrlg. & (1) wean., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead, Sonny Deer Bar bloodlines, \$1000/1-up. A. Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

(2) Blk. mules, 15+ hands, w/all hares & big covered wagon, equipped for week long rides, \$6000/all. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

Reg. App. geld., Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234 bred; 14.2 mare mule, \$1000/1, nego. H. Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

Reg. TW geld., pal., blood typed, average size, rode 8-10 times, no bad habits, easy to catch in pasture, very gentle, \$1500. Bruce or Vicki Reeves, Choudrant, 71227; (318) 251-0385.

AQHA, La. accredited, 2 yr. gray geld., green broke, good barrel prospect, \$2000. Richard Guidry, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2671.

AQHA mares w/colts on side, safe, in foal to grandson of Royal King, \$2000/up/pr. Errol Aymond, Effie, 71331; (318) 253-8235.

2001 AQHA sorrel stallion, outstanding stud prospect, quiet & gentle, 45 days pro training, Mr. San Peppy, Doc Bar & Lightnin Bar bloodlines, \$2900. May Aymond, Effie, 71331; (318) 253-8235.

2002 AQHA sorrel mare, beautiful conform., gentle disp., 45 days pro training, Colonel Freckles & Mr. San Peppy bloodlines, ready to begin training, \$2500. M. Aymond, Effie, 71331; (318) 253-8235.

APHA homozygous mares, exposed to homozygous stallion, \$1995/1-up. Perry Thomassie, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5381 or (225) 644-4238.

AQHA yrlg. colt, sorrel, halter & farrier broke, very gentle, 750. G. E. Martel, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-7471.

Reg. 13 yr. sorrel geld., heel horse, gentle, won at all levels, rodeos, jackpots, USTRC, \$4500. Gary Petty, Zachary, 70791; (225) 261-5960.

AQHA dapple-gray mare, 3 yrs., w/blk. points, Conclusive bred, exposed to blk. AQHA stallion, green broke, \$1600, obo. Randy Causey, Walker, 70785; (225) 235-5121.

Reg. App. 2 yr. dark brown filly, out own daughter of Alias King by AQHA blk. stallion, great disp., stocky build, both parents avail. for viewing, \$900/1, obo. J. Causey, Walker, 70785; (225) 235-5121.

AMHR miniature horse, stallion, 10 yrs., line back dun, very gentle, \$800. Shirley Marshall, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4983.

2001 & 2002 AQHA sorrel fillies, good cutting horse prospect, 2001, \$1750; 2002, \$1500. Jean Causey, Prairieville, 70769; (225) 644-5381 or (225) 644-4238.

1984 Reg. AQHA (appendix) geld., sorrel w/red roan neck & chest, very distinctive markings, good disp., 15.2 hands, used for trail riding, \$950. C. R. Babin, Baton Rouge, 70810; (225) 753-6827.

Reg. AQHA mare, 6 yrs., dark brown, w/reg. colt by Kings Ranch

stud & rebred, 3/N/1, \$3000; paint colt from above mare, \$900; dark gray AQHA colt, \$900; all haltered & no Sunday trades. Harold Loewer, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4487.

Reg. sorrel mare, w/'03 gray stallion colt at side, \$3000; gray Unika bred stallion, 4 yrs., producing gray colts from sorrel & chestnut mares, head, neck & hips are beautiful on his colts, \$3000. Eric Stephens, Oak Grove, 71263; (318) 428-4696.

(1) Reg. Clydesdale geld., 3 yrs., broke to ride & drive, \$2500; (4) reg. Clydesdale mares, broke to ride & drive, some bred to foal in '04, \$2500/1-up. Lynn Hebert, Eunice, 70535; (337) 546-6761.

Pb Arab. geld., ready to start under saddle, endurance prospect, \$4000. V. Ryan, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 658-5291.

7 yr. Quarter geld., w/wh. blaze, wh. sock & snip, very affectionate, 30 days training, \$1500. Margi Bush, 70431; (985) 516-6100.

AQHA blk. mare, 15 yrs., broodmare, exposed to pal. grandson of Peppy San Badger, \$1250, others avail. Don Scaife, Many, 71449; (318) 256-5447.

Reg. paint geld., 14 yrs., \$1250; reg. paint breeding stock mare, 6 yrs., \$1500. Harvey Bergeron, Jr., Morganza, 70759; (225) 694-3934.

Wanted: buggy horse, must be well trained & no spook guaranteed, good looking gelding preferred. Jules Carriere, Sulphur, 70663; (337) 528-1502.

Seven Star stables, full or partial board, clean & hazard free facility, 10 min. from Port Allen, off Hwy. 190, 60+ acres for riding. Chris & Donna Leger, Plaquemine, 70764; (225) 687-2047 or (225) 776-2843.

STALLION SERVICE

AQHA pal. own grandson of Hollywood Gold out of a triple "A" running mare, 5 roms, \$300+ points, \$600. Danny & Dee Newman, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 730-6622.

1998 Pal. stallion Doc Bar bred, 15.3 hands, 90% foundation, 3rd generation delute gene, produced 100% delute color for '02, exceptional disp. & conform. \$350/\$5 mare care. Mike Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

1995 APHA blk. & wh. tobiano/overo, pro trained for W. Pleasure, gorgeous head, w/outstanding disp., \$250/\$5 mare care. Jane West, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

AQHA pal. stud, Sport Model breeding, gorgeous head, produces tanks w/color, come see his babies, \$500/\$5 mare care. Jane Vidal, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-4151.

1997 AQHA blk. stallion, Ima Cool Skip & Boston Mac bred, Hypp N/N, \$300/\$5 mare care. J. Randy Causey, Walker, 70785; (225) 235-5121.

Blk. & wh. App., Cooterville Echohawk, Geronimo, Wapiti, Mansfield Comanche, Puddenhead, King P-234, \$200/\$3 mare care. Hermina Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

Arab., straight Spanish, Barich de Washoe grandson, gray but produces color, very long neck, foals to show; Egyptian, snow wh., multi champ. at halter, winner of Most Classic Arab., sires exotic foals, both 15+ hands, \$600, pb, others nego. Larry Martinez, Port Barre, 70577; (337) 585-6969.

AQHA pal., Doc Bar, Peppy San, Puddenhead Barpass Myers, King P-234, \$350/\$3 mare care. Earlin Gautreaux, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-8457.

APHA homozygous blk./wh. stallion, '98 Miss. grand champ. in halter, guaranteed paint, good conform., \$250/\$5 mare care. Perry Thomassie, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5381 or (225) 644-4238.

28" Miniature horse, sorrel, w/flex mane & tail, beautiful, little stud, w/good disp., 2 yrs., \$100. Sandy Rabalais, Plaquemine, 71360; (318) 922-3513.

SHEEP & GOATS

Katahdin sheep, young male, pb, no papers, \$50/1. Elvin Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4094.

Nigerian dwarf/African pygmy mixed buckling, very tiny, \$50. Debby Sharbaugh, Ethel, 70722; (225) 683-4919 or (225) 937-0540.

Fainting goats, \$75/1-up; pygmy goats, females, \$100/1-up. Shelia Wills, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-5197.

Katahdin male sheep, 3 yrs., over 200 lbs., \$199; Katahdin & Dorper males & females, 5 mos., \$45-\$65/1. Merlin Leger, Lafayette, 70501; (337) 264-9213.

Reg. show Southdown lambs, ewes & rams, \$75-\$100. Rebecca Gubert, Metairie, 70003; (504) 454-0652.

Reg. pb nubian buck, born 12/1/02, California Longman bloodline, \$150. Anthony Pitt, Scott, 70583; (337) 232-2452.

Katahdin & Dorper mix males & females, all from 100% Katahdin mothers, \$50/1. John Sellers, Abbeville, 70510; (337) 893-5113.

African pygmy male, 3 mos., \$50, or trade for female. Warren Hoag, Jr., Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-0937.

(1) Katahdin ram, 2 ½ yrs., \$150. Luke Begnaud, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-3726.

Reg. Boer goats, 100% boer bucks, champ. bloodlines, easy to handle, \$450/1; fb, pb, percentage does, \$100/1-up; 4-H show wethers, \$125/1. Mary Koehn, Longville, 70657; (337) 725-3615.

Market goats, bucks only, ¾-up Boer, \$45/1. Chad Campbell, Baker, 70714; (225) 774-5335.

(4) Reg. Katahdin rams, born 3/15/03, w/papers, \$125. Leonard Fontenot, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4719.

(8) Barbedo nannies, young, all bred, (1) buck, no kin to babies,

\$350/1. James Williamson, Oakdale, 71463; (318) 335-2758.

Percentage Boer goats, 3 mos., nannies & billies, \$60/1-up. Ricky Deshotel, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-4032.

Katahdin rams, pb, 4-6 mos., \$65/1-up; full grown ewes, \$100/1-up. Cale Deville, Branch, 70516; (337) 684-5328.

Wanted: white or cream colored hair sheep, Texas Dall. Grover O'Barion, Ponchatoula, 70454; (504) 812-0019.

LIVESTOCK DOGS

Only trained farm stockdogs or offspring from trained stockdogs are eligible to be advertised. Include dog's breeding and special training or ability that qualifies it as a stockdog. A signed statement must accompany each notice indicating these facts before the ad can be published.

Champ. bloodline Border Collie pups, six wks., sire is '02 world champ. WCDA started, dame is daughter of '00 youth world champ., Rocky's sire is the renowned Rockin G, '00 world champ. cow dog, \$300. Barrett Hutchinson, Livingston, 70754; (225) 975-3237 or (225) 686-7912.

Rat terriers, dual registry, UKCI & NRTA, great for rodents in barn & grain areas, pups now, \$250-\$350. John Mount, Breaux Bridge, 70517; (337) 228-2451.

NSDR Australian shepherd pups, born 4/16/03, blk. tri, red tri, red merle female, working parents, great companions, \$175/1. Chris Berthelot, Oak Grove, 71263; (318) 428-8548.

SWINE

Wild Russian (heavily influenced) hogs, will have shoats in Aug., \$75/1; \$125/pr. Fred Powell, DeQuincy, 70633; (337) 786-2297 or (337) 786-4122.

Red Wattle pigs, (3) female, 4 mos., \$65. Chad Campell, Baker, 70714; (225) 774-5335.

DOMESTIC BIRDS & EQUIPMENT

Parrotlet babies, hf, sweet & lovable, raised in family atmosphere, (3) male, (1) female, \$135/1. Melanie Vandersypen, Pineville, 71360; (318) 640-0748.

Doves, ringneck, pied, tangerine & all white, \$5/1, not paired. Sybil Gauthier, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4338.

Indian ringnecks, (1) Lutino & (1) green, 10 mos., \$125/both. Adam Verrett, Morgan City, 70380; (985) 384-0486.

Senegal parrot, male, 5 yrs., banded, pet, \$175. Janet Mayeaux, Centerpoint, 71351; (318) 253-1764.

Red head Amazon parrots, talks some; conures, peach-faced love-

bird, male, w/(3) cages, like new, \$500/all. Clyde Rachal, Baton Rouge, 70805; (225) 357-8973.

Hf ringneck parakeets, very tame, greens, \$75/1; yellows, \$125/1; albinos, \$150/1, will trade for quakers. Marie Layssard, Otis, 71466; (318) 793-4758.

Hf rainbow lories, blue-crown conures, orange-wing Amazons, cockatiels, \$40/1-up; parakeets & wh. doves, \$10/1. Fran St. Pierre, Tickfaw, 70466; (985) 429-8212 or (985) (504) 812-3219 after 8 p.m.

Green cheek, \$100/1; Alexandria, \$200/1; sun conure, \$250/1. Joseph Boone, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-2898.

Cockatiel nest boxes, \$10/1; lovebird nest boxes, \$8/1; parakeet nest boxes, \$7/1. Aaron Fuselier, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-5667.

Pair Quaker parrots, proven pair, \$250. Fred Leckelt, Iota, 70543; (337) 779-2782.

African grays, \$600/1-up; Indian ringnecks, singles & proven pairs, \$125/1-up; green cheek conure, hf, \$150, dusty conure, hf, \$150. Barry Miller, Church Point, 70525; (337) 873-9440.

Indian ringneck pair, lutino hen & blue male, \$350/pr.; cherry-headed conures, \$300/pr.; parakeets, \$10/1. Don Leche, Metairie, 70003; (504) 889-1784.

Ringneck doves, normals & whites, \$7.5 & \$10/1; proven mated prs., \$25 & \$35/pr., will ship. Thomas Rowell, Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-5729.

B & G pairs, proven, \$1800/bonded \$1000; DYH proven pairs, \$1350/1; Quaker pairs, not proven, \$275. Choyia Hunt, Leesville, 71446; (337) 238-0084.

Hf cockatiels, \$75/1. Robert Legendre, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5923.

Parakeets, zebra finches, ringneck doves, \$6/1, cheaper if all taken; cockatiels & lovebirds, \$18/1; cages w/nest, \$8-\$45/1. Paul Babineaux, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-7548.

Breeder age cockatiels, white-faced pearls split, \$45/1; white-faced gray split, \$40/1; more mutations, \$35/1-up; young hf, \$35/1-up, all seamless banded & come w/papers. Samantha Ivy, Morgan City, 70380; (985) 631-3498.

Parakeets, \$8/1-up; Quaker parrot, talks, w/acrylic cage, playground, \$250. Ray Barrilleaux, Jeanerette, 70544; (337) 519-6126.

Cockatiels, light yellow, some w/2-3 gray feathers, \$20/1. Margourie Dyson, Montgomery, 71454; (318) 646-3549.

Gouldians, \$115/pr.; orange cheeks, \$20/1; spice, \$12/1; orange weavers, \$10/1; zebras, \$7/1; societies, \$5/1. Daniel Chauvin, Houma, 70364; (985) 876-7966.

Cockatiels, different colors and semi-tamed, \$40/1. Chris Nelson, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 622-6589.

Young cockatiels, \$20/1; all types, nest boxes, \$3-\$10/1; show cages, not painted, \$25-\$50/1; 4-bird carrying cases, \$40. Warren Berner, Kenner, 70062; (504) 469-7410.

POULTRY, FOWL & EGGS

George giant bobwhite quail eggs, \$30/100. Preston Mire, Crowley, 70526; (337) 783-6635.

Fresh yard eggs, they are fertile if hatching is needed, \$1/doz. Kenneth Racca, Sulphur, 70663; (337) 527-9296 or (337) 625-3095.

Bantams, gold lace, blk., blue, birchen cochins, porcelain, \$2-\$3/1; Polish, white crested, buff, gold lace, sultans, \$3-\$5/1. Linda Hymel, Houma, 70364; (985) 851-7700.

Pb bantams, 5 kinds, \$2/1-up; pb jungle fowl, \$4/1-up; pb sumatras, \$4/1-up; pb Egyptian fayoumis, pb butter cups, \$2/1-up. Hubert Soileau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-1490.

Baby chicks, \$1.5/1; Peking ducks, \$6/1. G. Oestrieher, Lacombe, 70445; (985) 882-7598 or (985) 640-7647.

Baby ducks, white Peking, \$2/1; duck eggs, \$1.5/doz.; baby yard chicks, \$1/1; baby game chicks, \$3/1. Geo. Jackson, St. Bernard, 70085; (504) 676-3718.

Peacock chicks, \$20-\$50/1; red golden, yellow golden pheasant chicks & others, \$6.5/1-up. Doyle Davis, Norwood, 70761; (225) 629-5546 or (225) 774-1645.

Old English B. B. reds, bantam chicks, out of small stock, \$1.5/1-up. Justin LeBleu, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-5619.

Rhode Island pb pullets, 4 & 6 mos., \$3-\$5/1. Abel Andrus, Basile, 70515; (337) 432-6304.

Mixed bantams, almost grown, red sex link, blk. sex link, blk. australorp, \$3/roosters; \$5/hens; pullets, \$6/1. Floyd Cook, St. Amant, 70774; (225) 675-2674 or (225) 622-6188.

Grown guineas, \$7.5/1; keets, \$3/1; GQF egg hatcher, \$400/1. Frank Thibodeaux, Sulphur, 70665; (337) 583-9424.

Pharaoh & Manchurian quails, chicks, 25¢/1; adults, \$1.5-\$2/1; females, \$2/1; dressed quail, \$22/doz.; pickled eggs, \$5/pint. Harry Nolan, Krotz Springs, 70750; (337) 566-3514.

English caller grays, won '02 Rapides Parish 4-H championship, \$6/1. Dean Gunter, Lecompte, 71346; (318) 776-9235.

Swans, young white mute swans, \$150/4 yr. white trumpeter swans, \$1000. Ervin Granier, St. Gabriel, 70776; (225) 642-2026.

(4) Blue Old English bantams, (3) hens, (1) rooster, \$15. Bobby Barber, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 848-5628.

Baby muscovy ducks, \$3/1. W. Vetsch, New Orleans, 70124; (504) 482-2662.

Mixed breed & cross bred chickens, \$4-\$6/1; Peking, black Swedish, mostly males, ducks, \$7/1. Kathy Matte, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7130.

Pharaoh quail eggs, \$25/100. Robert Legendre, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 644-5923.

Super large quail hatching eggs,

\$25/100, plus \$12 S & H; live birds, 75¢/1-up; dressed quail, \$23/doz.; pickled eggs, \$4/pint. G. R. Chauvin, Shriever, 70395; (985) 448-3360.

Rhode Island reds, B. B. reds, blk. silkies & buff ducks, \$1.5/1-up. Chris Nelson, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 622-6589.

Old English game bantams, \$5-\$50/1. Hugh Junca, Franklin, 70538; (337) 923-7223.

Large red/buff Japanese silkie male, healthy, 1 yr., \$5. Marsha Kemp, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-7035.

Peacocks, trio of cameo, \$350; black-shoulder male, \$80; India blue chicks, '03 hatch, \$20/1; female greater currasow, \$525; paradise shell ducks, \$150/pr. Barry Miller, Church Point, 70525; (337) 873-9440.

Pea chicks, blue, blk. shouldered, whites, \$20-\$30/1; silkie chicks, \$1/1; standard cochin rooster chicks, \$2/1, others avail. Mark Lumetta, Amite, 70442; (985) 748-6257.

Baby to full-grown turkeys, \$6-\$25/1; geese, \$7-\$20/1; ducks, \$6-\$10/1; chickens, \$3-\$8/1; guineas, \$4-\$8/1. Wayne Grice, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 229-4509.

(40) Miniature laying dark Cornish hens, \$7/1; (15) roosters, \$9/1. Norman Ordeneaux, Lake Arthur, 70549; (337) 774-2641.

Brown leghorn hens, excel. layers, 9 mos., \$7/1. Terrell Gaspard, Mansura, 71350; (318) 253-5169.

Baby Pharaoh & Manchurian golden quails & white quails, 25¢/adult quails, \$1.5-\$2/1. Patti Arnold, Cecilia, 70521; (337) 667-6632.

Wanted: reasonably priced chickens, ducks, geese, turkeys, peacocks, pheasants, guineas & quail. Barry Miller, Church Point, 70525; (337) 873-9440.

Wanted: chicken pullets, ducks, geese, turkeys, guineas, bantams, roosters, etc., within 50 miles of Rayne. Wilbur Leger, Rayne, 70528; (337) 334-4949.

Wanted: 1202 Sportsman incubator or similar cabinet type incubator for chickens. Nancy St. Romain, Jarreau, 70749; (225) 627-4608.

Wanted: pheasants, lady amhersts, female & swinehoe female, reasonably priced. J. G. Robertson, Denham Springs, 70706; (225) 777-4791.

Wanted: incubator, cabinet type, w/auto or external egg turner, reasonably working. Stafford Holland, Bunkie, 71322; (318) 346-7993.

PIGEONS

(7) Yellow racing homers, \$10/1 obo; pair of Texas auto sex pioneers, \$30/1. Ray Vidrine, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 826-3543.

30-35 Pigeons, \$2/1. Clarence Begnaud, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 754-5640.

Large breed pigeons, \$6/1. Ray Barrilleaux, Jeanerette, 70544; (337) 519-6126.

DEER & EXOTICS

Water Buffalo yrlg., \$500. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale, 71463; (337) 639-2953.

Rocky Mountain elk, male or female, 1-3 yrs., \$1000/1-up. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

White tail deer, doe fawns, \$300/1; brick fawns, \$400/1; shire, 12 point main frame, grown does, \$500/1. Tommy Myers, Goldonna, 71031; (318) 727-9325.

AQUACULTURE & EQUIPMENT

Bass, 60¢/1; bluegill, 20¢/1; crappie, 30¢/1; Chinquapin, 30¢/1; catfish, 20¢/1; hybrids, 25¢/1; carp, \$9/1; minnows, \$8/lb. del. avail. Frank Book, Shreveport, 71107; (318) 929-4251.

Bluegill 20¢/1; hybrid bluegill, 25¢/1; Chinquapin, 25¢/1; channel catfish, 20¢/1; bass, 50¢/1; Koi, 50¢/1-up, del. avail. David Lowe, Minden, 71055; (318) 377-1525.

New Crawfish boat, w/25 hp Kohler motor, wind wheel, 55 hrs., \$9000. Charles Ponthier, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8490.

Wanted: crawfish grading unit. Ken Romero, New Iberia, 70563; (337) 229-5228.

RABBITS & EQUIPMENT

Pb California does, \$20/1; San Juan does, \$12/1; all proven does, show quality Holland lops, \$30/1. Janet Mayeaux, Center Point, 71351; (318) 253-1764.

California does, (2) bucks, 1 ½ yrs., good bloodlines, \$20/1; lots of cages, \$10/1-up. Clyde Rachal, Baton Rouge, 70805; (225) 357-8973.

Giant chinchillas, Flemish giants, checkered giants, \$30/1; Californias, breeders & babies, \$10/1-up. Reese Gravois, Galliano, 70354; (985) 665-1652.

New Zealand & Flemish mixed, \$10/1-up; San Juans, \$10/1-up; dwarf, \$15/1-up. Michael Moore, Marrero, 70072; (504) 341-2082.

Ped./Non ped. seed stock, New Zealand whites & mini rexes, \$10/1. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 868-2693.

Rabbits, \$5/1. Ronald Laborde, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8106.

CA, Flemish giant, rex, satins, lops, adults, \$10/1; mixed babies, \$15/1; pb, \$20/1; pet show & meat rabbits. Mickey Willoughby, Keithville, 71047; (318) 933-0887.

Large ped. Flemish giants, 3 mos., \$25/1; non ped. Flemish giants, Californias, New Zealands,

\$10/1. Charles Millet, Morganza, 70759; (225) 694-3962.

Jersey giants, (1) buck & (1) doe, \$15/1; (2) New Zealand white does, \$12/1; large 2-compartment wire rabbit cages, \$25. D. Johnson, Baton Rouge, 70821; (225) 267-9842.

Rabbits, \$5-\$10/1. Wayne Grice, Kentwood, 70444; (985) 229-4509.

RATITES

Rhea, gray male breeder, last one, \$50. Roger Maduelli, Amite, 70422; (985) 747-8310.

Ostriches (2) Females & (1) male, beginning to lay, \$225/1, or \$600/all. Lewis Hicks, Ragley, 70657; (337) 725-3601.

BEES/HONEY

Complete beekeeping operation, (4) hives, no bees, (2) extractors, lots of equipment & materials, too much to list, \$1100. Carl Reece, Gilliam, 71029; (318) 222-8400 or (318) 296-4296.

Honey for sale, \$6/qt., or \$20/gal., 3:30-7:00 p.m. weekdays, all day Sat. & Sun. Danny Head, Baton Rouge, 70818; (225) 261-8510.

RURAL PROPERTIES

Must offer ten (10) or more adjoining acres of land located in Louisiana. Farmland ads MUST include accompaniments (house, barn, hay field, garden, and what the land is best suited for). Proof of ownership may be required. All ads MUST be accompanied by the following owner-signed statement: "This property is personally owned by me and is not offered for sale by a licensed real estate dealer, broker or salesman."

Red River Parish, 110 acres, home, barns, improved pastures, ponds, fenced, cross-fenced, can be divided, \$220,000. David Williams, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 932-4482.

10 acres, located 4 miles east of Eunice, \$5500/acre. Nelan or Joyce McDaniel, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-5900 or (337) 457-7148.

SEEDS, FLOWERS & ORNAMENTALS

Gourds, large birdhouse, dipper & cushaw, crookneck, green stripe, \$1.5/30 seeds, w/SASE. James Robin, Sr., 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, La., 70570; (337) 407-0188.

New crop Dutch hybrid amaryllis seeds, red, pink, white & orange, 20 seeds, w/SASE, \$2/1. Arthur Becnel, Belle Chasse, 70037; (504) 656-2424.

Cast iron plants, \$4/gal., at

place, Dan Montz, Jr., Thibodaux, 70301; (985) 446-1805.

Wanted: seeds from Paulownia Tomentosa tree, common names elephant ears tree, Chinese sapphire dragon, Japanese pagoda, call collect. Annette Laycock, Houston, TX, 77047; (713) 433-5203.

TREES & FRUITING VINES

Pecan trees, Elliott & Sumner, 2 yrs., 10-gal., \$30/1; cypress & river birch 3-gal., \$6/1. James Robin, Sr., Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Fig trees, 2 yrs., \$9.5/2-gal., at place, 8 varieties, SASE for list. Betty Robin, 4017 Hwy. 357, Opelousas, LA 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Southern magnolia, \$8-\$15/by size; Japanese plum, \$6-\$10/1; Japanese yew, \$5-\$10, by size; Chinese & Burford holly, \$4/16"; celeste fig, \$4/1-gal.; dwarf pomegranate, \$12/4" shrub; mondo grass, \$1/3 qt. James Stelly, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4528.

FRUITS & VEGETABLES

2002 Black diamond watermelon, ready 6/20/03 picking, U-pick, \$2.5/1. Wayne Ward, Saline, 71070; (318) 576-3389 or (318) 576-9913.

Blueberries, U-pick, \$1.5/lb.; we-pick, \$3/lb. James Robin, Sr., Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

HAY & GRAIN

2003 Fertilized clover & grass hay, baled w/out rain, \$2.75/1; older hay, \$1.5/1. Harold Loewer, Eunice, 70535; (337) 457-4487.

Alicia/Bahia/ Triflon 44, 2003 round bales, well fertilized, hauling avail., \$18-\$37.5/1. Wayne Ward, Saline, 71070; (318) 576-3389 or (318) 576-9913.

2003 Bahia & Jiggs Bermuda 4' x 6' round bales, \$20/Bahia, \$30/Jiggs, will del. \$5/bale. Donald Crawford, Broussard, 70518; (337) 989-9675.

2003 Jigs Bermuda 4' x 5' round bales, fertilized & sprayed, no rain, in shed, \$20/1. Gayland LeBlanc, Lake Arthur, 70549; (337) 774-3526.

2003 Horse hay, 1st & 2nd cutting, limed, weed free, 400 lbs. of fert. an acre & cut short, heavy-square bales, \$3.5/1 in field; \$4/1 in barn. David Joiner, Loranger, 70446; (985) 878-6734 or (985) 878-9002.

Homemade cattle feed, 12% protein, 50 lb. sacks, \$166-\$188/ton. J. C. Landreneau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6088.

Kansas Alfalfa hay, horse quality, \$8/1 or \$7.5/1 for 50 bales or more. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71060; (318) 894-9586.

TRACTORS & EQUIPMENT

Tiger boom mower, TrB-50C, 800 hrs., \$8500; '93 6610 Ford trac., 700 hrs., \$14,500. J. Lurry, Port Allen, 70767; (225) 627-4475.

Int. 806 L. P. fuel, 90 hp, under 3000 hrs., new tires, 3 pt. disk, heavy-duty 6' cutter, hipers, excel. cond., \$5500. Dick Guillory, Baton Rouge, 70815; (225) 924-2252.

Int. trac. B 275, new paint, looks & runs good, w/bush hog, \$2800. Louie Dunn, Grayson, 71435; (318) 649-7284.

Farmall 100, w/full set of cultivators, excel. cond., \$2200; 14' MF roto harrow, good cond., 3 pt. hitch, \$125. Curtis Williams, Franklinton, 70438; (985) 848-7070.

Late model JD dozer, excel. cond., low hrs., \$24,500. Tommy Warner, Bossier City, 71112; (318) 347-6806.

9' Agri-quip hay disc mower, 1997 model, excel. cond., many extra parts, \$3000. John Collins, Ruston, 71270; (318) 255-5912.

1956 JD 620, factory LP, 48 hp, new rubber, new paint, dual remote on back, \$3300, nego., will deliver. Dwight Gonzales, DeRidder, 70634; (337) 462-3118 or (337) 348-1246.

JD model 500 rd. baler, \$2000. A. Johnson, Oakdale, 71463; (318) 748-8217.

MF 243 exhaust, porcelain coated for durability, \$150. Dextel Terrebonne, Gibson, 70356; (985) 209-0026 or (985) 868-2693.

NH rd. baler 851 bales, 5' x 5' hyd. tie, \$2000; 6-row sweep cult., w/spray rig, \$200. Michael Dupre, Washington, 70589; (337) 826-5941.

1949 Farmall cub w/belly mower, runs good, converted to 12 volts, some tools, rear weights, needs some minor repair, \$1500. Donald Morgan, Zachary, 70791; (225) 654-3501.

NH 7635, c/a, 90 hp, 650 hrs., front-end loader, like new, \$30,000. Donald Richardson, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 727-8754 or (318) 471-1627.

Ford 7610 cab/air, diesel trac., w/loader, 16 spd. 90 PTO hp, p/s, excel. cond., \$14,300, cold air on trac. E. Ryan, Marksville, 71351; (318) 240-7388.

Ford 7710 cab/air trac., w/loader, 87 PTO hp, 16 spd., (4) sets hyd. remotes, cold air, good cond., \$15,300; Ford 3000 diesel trac., 8 spd, 40 PTO hp, \$4200; Ford 4000 diesel trac., 52 PTO, 8 spd., p/s, \$5300. Tim Ryan, Marksville, 71351; (318) 240-7388.

Rome K/G blade, \$1000 or trade for root rake. Royce McNeal, Jr., Effie, 71331; (318) 253-4891.

Set of choppers (row hillers) \$100. Walter Savoy, Church Point, 70525; (337) 684-5279.

Farmall Super "A", w/5' Woods belly mower, \$2200. John Bible, Pineville, 71360; (318) 640-1658.

NH 310 sq. baler, for parts, \$300; (3) 240 Vicon 8' hay cutters, \$2200/all; double plow, 3 pt. hitch, \$100. Sal Mistretta, Ponchatoula, 70454; (985) 386-9224.

3000 Ford trac., new paint, p/s, live PTO, new 5' Rhino bush hog, \$6500. R. D. Barion, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 628-6149.

(2) Armstrong 15.5-38, R-1, 6-ply rear trac. tires, virtually no thread wear, \$300/both. Carroll Trahan, Lafayette, 70507; (337) 984-6267.

L235 Kubota, 23 hp, turf tires, diesel, 3 cyl., excel. cond., \$4200. Cyril Cleland, Folsom, 70437; (985) 796-5469.

MF 165, diesel trac., 65 hp, reconditioned, \$6995. Edward Zisk, Pearl River, 70452; (985) 863-7909.

Set of 2-row Lilliston rolling cults., like new, \$300. Chris Brouillette, Marksville, 71351; (318) 253-7067.

1973 Long 350 trac., 35 hp, w/5' Woods bush hog, \$2300. Tommy Spears, Pitkin, 70656; (318) 358-3105.

1370 Case, dual wheels, w/blade, \$3000; 706 Int., 95 hp, w/bush hog, \$4500; Massey 50, w/equip., \$3600; old Case, 28 hp, gas, \$2000; 18' Case disc, \$1500; 16' Case cultipacker, \$1500. Shelia Wills, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-5197.

JD 4010 trac., w/front mounted blade, recent overhaul, tri-front end, \$3500. Terry Garland, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-9778.

4" Irrigation PTO pump, mounted on wheels, w/several hundred feet of 4" alum. pipe, \$500; large Tu/sa winch, w/cat head on ends, \$400. Terry Garland, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-9778.

1939 Farmall B parade trac., single wheel on front, 2 seats, McCormick-Deering manure spreader, converted into parade wagon, very good cond., \$3500/both. Luke Crain, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 735-8315.

NH model 1032 bale wagon, excel. cond., \$2500. Johnny Caraway, Ruston, 71270; (318) 251-0677.

5' Finish mower, 3 pt. hitch, kept in barn, \$550. Louis VanHoof, Lecompte, 71346; (318) 776-5405.

Ford industrial front loader, series 720, fits Ford 4000 diesel, needs hoses & fittings, \$350; Speedex yard trac., w/16 hp B & S engine & 46" belly mower, \$500. Donald Faulk, Sulphur, 70664; (337) 527-5524.

8" ITT Marlow PTO pump, \$1400; (65) 30' joints of 6" gated PVC irrigation pipe; 8-row folding Taylorway cult., \$500. R. T. Faulk, Monroe, 71201; (318) 325-1685.

Ford 9N, excel. cond., \$2500; turning plows, \$250; middle buster, \$250; harrow pick, \$350; slip box, \$100; straight blade, \$100. Jesse Doyle, Pineville, 71360; (318) 640-3177.

IH cub, yellow & white, w/belly mower, hyd. lift, rear tool bar, set of hipers & middle busters, great for gardening & mowing, \$2500. Patrick Dutton, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 461-5281 or (337) 290-0533.

Krone rd. baler, 4 yrs., baled less than 3000 rolls, like new, auto tie, monitor, excel. cond., \$7500. J. Pieri, Folsom, 70437; (504) 628-5361.

Gravely Model "L" running but needs work, \$250; 30" mower, rotary garden plow, rotary cult., all working cond., \$150/1 or all for

\$600 obo. Clark McClendon, Folsom, 70437; (985) 809-1062.

Farmall Super "A", 5' trailer type Wallace bush hog, front-mounting frames, hillers, shovels, rear tool bar, disc choppers, sweeps, middle buster & other attachments, \$2000. Burel Smith, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-3058.

Sitrex 5-wheel, pinwheel hay rake, 8' grass clipper bush hog, \$400/1. John Williams, Converse, 71419; (318) 796-2505.

Kubota L2000 trac., 25 hp, 2 wd, diesel, 3 pt. hitch, new rear tires, 1650 hrs., w/4' Howes box scrapper, good cond., \$3975. Bill Esquinance, Mandeville, 70448; (985) 626-9259.

JD 950 trac., w/JD 75 loader, \$6500. Mark Bordelon, Moreauville, 71355; (318) 985-2973.

Int. 5088 cab & air trac., everything works, very good cond., \$13,500. Pat Millet, Gonzales, 70737; (225) 571-1228.

JD 4030, 80 hp, good cond., \$10,500 obo; JD 2040, 40 hp, 6' disc, 6' bush hog, \$8500/all. Bradley Stewart, Albany, 70711; (225) 567-9861.

Stieger 310 PTA, 4 wd trac., w/20.8 x 38 dual wheel tires & 3 pt. hitch, \$5000; Rayne Plane rice cart, 60 bbl. cap., \$800. Daniel Hardy, Iowa, 70647; (337) 582-3359.

IH 1480 combine, a/c, 20' header, 32.5 x 32 tires, \$7000; IH 1460 combine, a/c, 20' header, 32.5 x 32 tires & mud-hog, \$5000. Daniel Hardy, Iowa, 70647; (337) 582-3359.

KT 2417 Power King, 17 hp trac., 54" belly mower, 3 pt. hitch, middle buster, disc, blade, excel. cond., American made, \$2500. Marsha Kemp, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-7035.

4', 3 pt. hitch finish mower, great shape, \$600. Melissa Henry, Patterson, 70392; (985) 395-6015.

600 Ford trac., new front tires, carburetor & hyd. pump, \$2300. M. L. Sullivan, Jr., Zachary, 70791; (225) 654-8818.

5' Belco finish mower, \$250; side mount 7' sickle mower, \$100; horse drawn sickle mower, \$100; plow & middle busters, \$35-\$50; 2" draw bar, w/3 pt. hitch, \$40; horse drawn hay rake, ornamental, \$25; 5' grader blade, homemade, \$25; mule slip, \$50. C. R. Babin, Baton Rouge, 70810; (225) 753-6827.

NH 640 auto wrap round baler, lots of new parts, \$7000. W. Bryant, Leesville, 71446; (337) 537-2423.

Tiller, 5', 3 pt. hitch, used once, \$500 obo. James Robin, Sr., 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Crustbuster grain drill, excel. cond., \$1500; W & A, 8-row, hipper, w/orthman row markers, excel. cond., \$2600; irrigation pumps, 6" x 8", trailer mounted, PTO driven, excel. cond., \$1500. Bobby Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

JD 2040 trac., w/front bucket & bush hog, 40-45 hp, \$10,000; w/out bush hog, \$9600. Tommy Johnson, Oakdale, 71463; (318) 335-1478.

JD 4020 p/shift, \$7500; IH 784 diesel, \$5000; NH 256 rake, good, \$850; 10' 3 pt. Woods bush hog, \$1850; NH, HD, 8' 3" disc mower, \$1600; 5' bush hog, \$450; 10' bush hog, \$950; Vermeer 605 H good,

\$3195. R. Coldiron, Jonesville, 71343; (318) 339-7876.

Long starters, \$210/1; used 12 x 24 rims, w/center 8 bolt pattern, \$80/1; 8N hyd. pump, \$395; 8N & 600 fenders, \$35/1. James Degeyter, Arnaudville, 70512; (337) 754-7682.

7400 JD Hi crop, M.F.W.D., c/air, 4100 hrs., \$25,000; 1494 Case trac., canopy, 2V, 2853 hrs., \$8500. Fred Perritt, Rayville, 71269; (318) 728-3035.

6500 JD sprayer, wide axle, 60' rear-fold boom, 1800 hrs, \$19,500; 7120 Case trac., 2 wd, 20.8 x 38, w/duals, cab/air, dual PTO, 3V, quick hitch \$18,500. A. Perritt, Rayville, 71269; (318) 728-3035.

Int. trac. 1586, w/engine, \$800; (2) 200 hp Kotmatsu diesel engines, \$800/both; fenders for Magnum trac., \$300; 46" tires, wheels & hubs for 5240, \$1000; final drive hubs for Cameco combine, \$3000. Erne Plessala, Jr., New Iberia, 70563; (337) 229-8409.

JD 1-row corn planter, \$100; big turning plow, \$100. A. P. Rachel, Sr., Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-4361.

15' batwing pasture clipper, Bush Hog brand, good cond., pasture ready, \$2650. Carroll Gueho, Baton Rouge, 70808; (225) 766-2363.

JD 1-row planters, w/heavy-duty tool bar, \$350/1; JD 4-row planter w/wheel gauges & JD 4-row cult., in mint cond., \$500. Penny McCollough, Pitkin, 70656; (318) 358-3329.

Rhino TW72 6' rotary shredder/bush hog, w/quick hitch modifications, used only 6 hrs., \$1700. Paul Fontenot, Lafayette, 70507; (337) 235-0011.

382 IH, 36 hp, diesel, very good cond., new paint, one aux. valve that can be included, \$4900. Jackie Sparks, Grand Cane, 71032; (318) 872-2240.

Farmall cub trac., w/belly mower & garden tools, \$2500; Int. 544, 50 hp diesel trac., p/s, live PTO, w/6' bush hog, \$2800; small 3 pt. hitch seeder, \$100. Marlon Bell, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4063.

5' Disc mower, used very little, 105 hrs., like new cond., \$2700. Eugene Baudouin, Hahnville, 70057; (985) 783-2229.

1953 Ford 600 trac., \$3000; 5' brush hog, \$450; 12" auger, \$500; 5' block blade, w/teeth, \$350; 5' grader blade, \$100; 5' tiller, \$600. Jamey Bowman, Breaux Bridge, 70517; (337) 667-6677.

580 Super L Case backhoe, 4x4, enclosed cab, serial #JIG0195820, \$28,500. J. T. Allen, Jonesboro, 71251; (318) 259-4532.

JD 720 2 cyl. gas trac., Farmall Super A trac. & Farmall Super A.V. high crop trac., all runs good, \$2000/1. Kenneth Perrodin, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-0566.

JD 2240, low hrs., w/6' clipper, good shape, \$10,000. Jean Romero, Erath, 70533; (337) 937-6777.

Howes 5' disc, \$500; 5' bush hog, \$500; new trac. canopy, \$150. Bill Pellerin, Alexandria, 71303; (318) 445-3713.

MF 240 diesel trac., 40 hp, roll bars, like new, under barn, \$10,000; cultivator for garden, hooks to a 3 pt. hitch on trac., \$250. Ernest Webb, Choudrant, 71227; (318) 768-2685.

Ford 3000 diesel trac., p/s, 8 spd. 40 PTO hp, \$4900; JD diesel trac., w/canopy, 56 PTO hp, 8 spd., p/s, low hrs., \$7500. J. Guillot, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-4776.

8N Ford gas trac., new overhaul, rings, pistons, sleeves, valves, rods & rod bearings, looks good & good rubber, \$3700. W. Ricks, Independence, 70443; (985) 878-6342.

4' JD bush hog deck rusted out, gear box in good cond., \$150. Roger DeHart, Jr., Gibson, 70356; (985) 575-3410.

1940s Allis Chalmers model B, high rise trac., new tires, runs great, \$1000. Danny Lafleur, Washington, 70589; (337) 826-7118.

Hot dipped galv. bush hog, 10', almost new, too big for my trac., \$3500; box blade, new, \$375. Todd Lawson, Raceland, 70394; (985) 537-6737.

140 Farmall high model, good shape disc, row builders, middle buster, cultivators, fert. disp., hillers, \$4000. C. J. Kinchen, Independence, 70443; (225) 567-5729.

Case 1175 trac., w/front-end loader, needs paint, \$6000. Gordon Laseter, Gueydan, 70542; (337) 288-1672.

JD 3350 cab/air synchronize shift, mechanical FWD, low hrs., w/770 Great Bend self-leveling loader, \$28,000. Rudy Douglas, Slaughter, 70777; (225) 921-0452

Cummins power unit, 3.9 liter, 71 hp rater, used to power 6" well, \$4000. Matt Manuel, Oberlin, 70655; (337) 639-2308.

Wanted: dozer, w/pyramid pads. Erne Plessala, Jr., New Iberia, 70563; (337) 229-8409.

Wanted: front-end loader, for 1997 David Brown-995. Elvin Thibodeaux, Sunset, 70584; (337) 662-3927.

Wanted: 12' Int. vibra shank, in good cond. George Leger, Sr., Port Barre, 70577; (337) 585-7184.

Wanted: front-end loader for Ford 4000 trac. Henry McNamera, Folsom, 70437; (985) 796-9590.

Wanted: hay cutter, Taarup brand, 5'5" manual lift, model M204, in working cond., or parts. Clint Worsham, Many, 71449; (318) 256-2233 or (318) 256-335.

FARM TRUCKS & RELATED PARTS

(4) 8-lug steel wheels, off '98 K2500, w/all-terrain tires, 50% tread, \$250. Billy Reeves, Merryville, 70653; (337) 825-8944.

2000 Dodge quadcab 1500 4 x 4, off-road SLT package, 9000 lb. winch, many extras, 2 sets of tires, towing package, excel. cond., \$14,500. Brett Herring, Pineville, 71360; (318) 445-2275 or (318) 447-3723.

1986 Ford pickup, extended cab, body & inside in good cond., needs little work, \$1500. A. P. Rachel, Sr., Ethel, 70730; (225) 683-4361.

1977 Ford F-100 LWB pickup, 67,000 miles XLT, auto, good V-8, \$1600. Terry Garland, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-9778.

1969 Int. grain truck, 19,500 miles, w/16' metal bed, hydraulic lift, good cond., \$2000. Larry Miller, Church Point, 70525; (337) 684-2754.

1993 Ford L 7000, 5.9 Cummins, auto, a/c, 24' box w/lift gate & side door, \$10,500. Chris Christiansen, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-7235.

1993 Dodge 1-ton Cummins diesel, 5 spd. trans., flatbed, new trans., excel. engine, good for farm use, \$3500. Dennis Hymel, Vacherie, 70090; (225) 265-2321.

1985 Dodge 250 Ram pickup, utility tool boxes on 2 sides, single cab, V8 engine, \$1500. Joseph Monju Sr., Covington, 70435; (985) 892-4156.

1985 Isuzu diesel truck, air, 5 spd., new tires, brakes & shocks, good cond., 40 mpg, \$2800. King Sheridan, Bogalusa, 70427; (985) 732-3835.

1997 Ford 350, 4 door, gas, good cond., \$5500. Brian Johnson, St. Landry, 71367; (318) 838-2919.

Tool bed, for a ¾-ton truck, good cond., \$350. Rob Richardson, Choudrant, 71227; (318) 768-2966.

1979 Ford F-250, 400 V8 engine, completely rebuilt, 4-spd trans., good tires & brakes, goose-neck hook-up, good work truck, \$800. Ike Nichols, Kinder, 70648; (337) 639-2140.

1982 Mack 12 yd. dump truck, 2 stick 6 spd., 300+ motor, new inframe, new radiator core, complete clutch job, ready to work, \$12,000. Van Inkenbrandt, Hammond, 70401; (985) 542-5441.

E40D auto trans. for F-250 diesel trucks, \$800; 7.3 diesel engine parts, \$200/1-up. Penny McCollough, Pitkin, 70656; (318) 358-3329.

1996 Peterbilt conventional Unibilt cab, 375 hr. cat engine, 10 spd. trans., \$18,500. Byron Stanford, Iota, 70543; (337) 779-3187.

Del liftgate, hyd., for pickup, 66" wide, 1250 lb. cap., \$500; alum. camper shell for small truck, 5' wide, 7 ½' long, \$100. Bill Pellerin, Alexandria, 71303; (318) 445-3713.

1980 ¾-ton Chevy LWB, dual tanks, 350-4 barrel carb, custom HD bumpers, gooseneck hookup, light plug on bumper & in bed, \$1800. Lawrence Andrus, Independence, 70443; (985) 878-6624.

TRAILERS, WAGONS & EQUIPMENT

4' x 6' Enclosed cargo trailer, lift doors on 3 sides, storage underneath, ideal for crafts, carpentry or horse-shoeing trailer, \$325. Sheryl Lienhop, Pineville, 71360; (318) 445-2275 or (318) 448-5408.

3 Axle heavy-duty bumper pull trailer, 19' x 6.6', w/dove & ramps, 8-hole rims, \$1400. E. Ryan, Marksville, 71351; (318) 240-7388.

25' GN, dove tail, spring ramps, new, \$3400; 32' GN, spring ramps, dove tail, new, \$600; 24' GN, low boy, new, \$3200; 20' GN, used, new tires, floor & lights, \$12,000.

Donald Richardson, Winnfield, 71483; (318) 727-8754 or (318) 471-1627.

1990 Gooseneck 2-horse slant horse trailer, w/full living quarters, \$7000. Sherman Carriere, Breaux Bridge, 70517; (337) 332-3170.

1999 S & H 2-horse bumper pull, extra tall, excel. cond., \$2400. Lisa Topham, Patterson, 70392; (985) 399-6879.

Enclosed utility trailer, 5' x 9' x 5', metal sides, wood floor, double locking doors, 14" wheels, \$450. G. Oestiecher, Lacombe, 70445; (985) 882-7598 or (985) 640-7647.

8' x 20' Flatbed gooseneck trailer, \$1675; 8' x 20' flatbed gooseneck trailer, \$1400. Carroll Gueho, Baton Rouge, 70808; (225) 766-2363.

(35) Cotton trailers, 8'-10' wide, 24'-40' long, for hauling hay or storing crawfish traps, good to excel. cond., del. avail., \$500-\$1450. T. L. Enright, Sr., Sicily Island, 71368; (318) 389-5395.

Covered wagon, rubber tires, BBQ pit, bathroom, back porch, w/24' gooseneck to haul wagon & team, \$2500. Mark McMillan, Carencro, 70520; (337) 668-4339.

Hale 16' horse or stock trailer, middle gate, bumper pull, \$1200; old wagon, regular tires, swivel seat, \$350; leather buggy harness. Shelia Wills, Jennings, 70546; (337) 824-5197.

24' Falcon gooseneck flatbed trailer, 10K axle, elec. brakes, 10' deck over neck, 2-spare tires & 4' side rails, \$5500; 19' Falcon gooseneck car hauler, dovetail, w/ramps & elec. brakes, \$1800. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

JD 951 wagon from 1935, complete except for rims & tires, already blasted, primed & painted, bed is original cypress & wrought iron, \$1000. Jim Cooper, Alexandria, 71303; (318) 473-2184.

1995 Ponderosa 16' gooseneck covered steel trailer, excel. cond., kept under shed, \$3500. Harvey Bergeron, Jr., Morganza, 70759; (225) 694-3934.

1995 2-horse trailer, S.H. 4-new tires, in good shape, \$1500 obo. Sandy Rabalais, Plaucheville, 71362; (318) 922-3513.

1999 Exiss Maximum alum. 4-horse slant, used very little, 30-gal. water tank & a/c unit in tack area, \$14,950. Eric Stephens, Oak Grove, 71263; (318) 428-4696.

2000 Dover 3-horse slant w/tack & dressing room, used 3 times, \$5500. Scott or Kim Douglas, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 597-2729.

1986 WW 2-horse trailer, good cond., \$800. Renee Bowman, Breaux Bridge, 70517; (337) 667-6677.

20' x 8' flatbed gooseneck trailer, 3 axles, \$1000. A. Johnson, Oakdale, 71463; (318) 748-8217.

2-Horse WW trailer, needs repairs, \$800. Rogers, DeHart, Jr., Gibson, 70356; (985) 575-3410.

Gooseneck tandem flatbed trailer, 6'2" x 20', 10,000 lb. cap., elec. brakes, new tires, w/loading ramps, good cond., \$1650. Russell Bonnet, Scott, 70583; (337) 235-1296.

40' Gooseneck trailer, dual tandems, 10,000 lb. axles, straps, like new, \$6000. M. Rachal, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-4537.

Wanted: bumper pull, 12'-16' stock trailer, covered top preferred. Fred Powell, DeQuincy, 70633; (337) 786-2297 or (337) 786-4122 or email wfpowell@xspedius.net

Wanted: 1000-gal. plastic or alum. water tank w/trailer, with or without pump & bumper pull live-stock trailers, any length. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8478.

Wanted: old 2-horse or stock trailer, any cond., cheap. D. L. Sanders, 71268; (318) 259-8321.

FARM & LIVESTOCK SUPPLIES

14 ½" Ortho-flex saddle, combo barrel & roping, excel. cond., \$1000. Billy Reeves, Merryville, 70653; (337) 825-8944.

Heavy steel pipe-fitter's work table, 4' x 4'7", w/vise, \$100. C. R. Babin, Baton Rouge, 70810; (225) 753-6827.

Gates, new 4' -14', \$37.5/1-up; 4' walk-through gate, \$59; 6' walk-through gate, \$68; auto head gates, \$350, feed water troughs. Celia Juneau, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8478.

(2) 10 hp, 3-phase elec. motors, w/pumps, \$300/1; 5 hp single phase elec. motor w/pump, \$1500, other equip. O'Neil Howes, Ponchatoula, 70454; (985) 386-2768.

New corral panels, 5 x 10, \$40; 4' walk-through gate, \$75; 6' walk-through gate, \$95; 50' rd. pen, w/4' gate, \$675. Carl Barlow, Pride, 70770; (225) 603-5610.

400'- 5" heavy wall pipe, \$3.5/ft.; 900 joints ¾" sucker rods, \$8/1, at farm; \$9/1, delivered. T. L. Enright, Sicily Island, 71368; (318) 389-5395.

Bandsawn cypress lumber, 1x random width, 65¢/board foot. Grover O'Barion, Ponchatoula, 70454; (504) 812-0019.

Assorted English tack, stirrups, leathers, seat-saver saddle cushion, saddle pad, reins, martingale, \$10-\$25/1; full leather chaps, med., never worn, \$50. Debby Sharbaugh, Ethel, 70722; (225) 683-4919 or (225) 937-0540.

Metal barrels, w/locking lids, keep varmints out of your feed, \$10/1. Kenneth Racca, Sulphur, 70663; (337) 527-9296 or (337) 625-3095.

New galv. panels, w/mud boots, 40' rd. pen, \$525; 50' rd. pen, \$625; 60' rd. pen, \$775; all include 4' bow gate. Michael Passman, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-5094.

4-Horse Globe walker, 3 speed, 1 ½ hp, \$1800; saddle, 14" seat, \$300; kid's saddle, \$100. Evelyn Hungerford, Lake Charles, 70615; (337) 433-2740.

275- Gal. tank (molasses, diesel, water) \$150; (3) fiberglass cattle mineral feeders, \$45/1; (2) galvanized water tanks, \$40/1. Ted Motlow, Carencro, 70520; (337) 896-0859.

1985 Gas Lincoln welding machine, 200 amp, ready to go, \$1800. Raymond Burleigh, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 942-7005.

1000-Gal. diesel fuel tank, on

skids, \$600 obo. Ivan Edwards, Ringgold, 71068; (318) 894-9586.

Priefert squeeze chute, new, \$1450; Apache portable self creeper feeder, \$1750; panels, new 8'-16', \$45/1-up; hay rings, hay forks. Ricky Juneau, Hessmer, 71341; (318) 563-8478.

60' Round pen w/4' gate; 2 3/8" tubing in 20' panels, \$900. Renee Bowman, Breau Bridge, 70517; (337) 667-6677.

Rodeo roper, electronic calf roping machine, 1 yr., excel. cond., equipped w/variable speed controls for both forward & reverse, great calf roping dummy, \$1750. Marvin Hayes, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 442-1129.

Plastic 55-gal. drums, cut in half to make great planters or water troughs, \$10/1; metal drums, \$5/1. John O'Brian, Amite, 70422; (985) 748-9467.

Factory made cattle pen, w/sweep & combo chute, w/scale, palpating pen & head gate, \$3500. David Milner, Natchitoches, 71457; (318) 352-8984.

New large blacksmith forge, \$250; large Lancaster blower, \$150. Buddy Leonard, Covington, 70433; (985) 982-1137.

Wooden cattle self-feeders, on skids, 1750-4000 lb. capacity, never used, \$385-\$675. J. C. Landreneau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6088.

Heartwood comm. band portable sawmill, 2-way cut, 6" dbl. edged blade, 80 hp, Perkins tandem axles, diesel, 500 hrs., \$29,500. Herbert LeJeune, Oakdale, 71463; (337) 639-2953.

Lincoln 225 amp, gas welder, w/8 kw a.c. gen., 20 hp, Kohler eng., \$2500, welder only, w/road ready trailer, \$3000, all new, no hrs. on engine; free cam shaft for Onan model CCK, pay for shipping. L. J. St. Germain, Montz, 70068; (985) 652-9089.

Alum. pipe (65) 2" x 30', \$20/1; (15) 2" x 20', \$15/1; (7) 3" x 30', \$30; (13) 4" x 30', \$35/1; (33) sprinkler heads, \$3/1. O'Neil Howes, Ponchatoula, 70454; (985) 386-2768.

New (2) tires, tubes & rims, 18.4 x 38 x 16", \$1000/all or make offer. Bill Barattini, Metairie, 70003; (504) 885-8000.

4 Wheeler, 1996 Honda 4-Trax 4 x 4; excel. cond., \$3200. Todd Lowry, Alexandria, 71302; (318) 715-2598.

Okra & green onion cutters motorized elec., (1) left, \$400/1-up; also hand operated okra cutters, \$90-\$120. Franklin Courvelles, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Several sheets of used tin 2 1/2" corrugated by 12' long, \$2/1. Russell Bonnet, Scott, 70583; (337) 235-1296.

Hay or corn elevator, w/motor, gas tank needs cleaning, \$450. Robert Thibodeaux, Breau Bridge, 70517; (337) 845-4237.

250-Gal. fuel tank, w/stand, filling hose & valve, \$250; 9' x 9' A frame on dolly wheels, heavy duty, \$150. Jean Romero, Erath, 70535; (337) 937-6777.

Fiberglass farm gates, \$73/10', \$79/12'. Deb Fontenot, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-0629.

Round pen, constructed of fiberglass material, each panel is 5' x 12', 50' pen, w/o bow gate, \$995; make as large as needed; add panels for, \$77/1. Larry Fontenot, Lake Charles, 70611; (337) 855-0629.

2 3/8" tubing, 75¢/ft.; 2 7/8" tubing, 80¢/ft.; 3 1/2" tubing, 90¢/ft.; 7" casing, \$5/ft.; 8 5/8" casing, \$6/ft. Gene Denton, Jena, 71342; (318) 992-4504.

Wanted: used 10"-12" augers & troughs, in good cond. J. C. Landreneau, Ville Platte, 70586; (337) 363-6088.

Wanted: 4' disc, willing to pay if in good shape. Jeff Kuehny, Clinton, 70722; (225) 683-8585.

Wanted: large cattle guard, must be in good cond. Earline Sharp, Walker, 70785; (225) 665-4268.

Wanted: will tear down old barns & fences for cypress wood. D. L. Sanders, 71268; (318) 259-8321.

Wanted: Kawasaki mule, 2 wd, to rebuild for handicapped to use on farm. Jim Lawlis, Lake Charles, 70601; (337) 477-6362.

FROM THE FARM

Earthworms, \$10/lb., plus shipping. Gary McClure, Jackson, 70748; (225) 654-6877.

Goat milk soap, handmade, skin soothing, many varieties, all natural ingredients, \$4/5-6 oz. bar. Kathleen Matte, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 543-7130.

(12) Antique wooden slat schoolhouse folding type chairs, \$10/1. Betty Robin, Opelousas, 70570; (337) 407-0188.

Wanted: old time pitcher pump for shallow well, does not need to be working. Wayne Talbot, Brusly, 70719; (225) 749-9659.

Wanted: old gristmill or old millstones, any size. Richard Eaves, Demopolis, AL, 36732; (334) 289-8906.

FAIRS AND FESTIVALS

Region 4 Little Britches Penny Rodeo July 4 & 5, 7 p.m. Fri. and 11 a.m. Sat., at the Beauregard Arena in DeRidder; July 12 & 13, 11 a.m. Sat. and 10 a.m. Sun. at the Burton Ag Arena in Lake Charles. For more information, contact Pat McBride at (337) 463-8962 or Bobbie Darbonne at (337) 762-3931.

The Livingston Horse Show Association will host horse shows June 28 and Aug. 9, at the Southpark Arena in Denham Springs. Shows begin promptly at 9 a.m. For more information, contact DeLois Senez at (225) 664-3150 or JoLynn Allen at (225) 685-0335.

Cajun Radio Show Live every Saturday night, 6 - 7:30 p.m. at the Liberty Theater in Eunice. Some of the guests will be "T" Joe & LA Gros Chemin Playboys; Tony Thibodeaux & Cajun Five; Ulysse Poirrier & Bayou Teche Band; La Bande Feufollet.

Other Fairs and Festivals: Cajun French Music & Food Festival, Lake Charles, July 19 & 20; Satchmo Summer Fest, New Orleans, July 31 - Aug. 3; Delcambre Shrimp Festival & Fair, Delcambre, Aug. 13 - 17; LeCajun Festival & Awards Show, Lafayette, Aug. 15 - 17; Gueydan Duck Festival, Gueydan, Aug. 28 - 31; La. Shrimp & Petroleum Festival, Morgan City, Aug. 28 - Sept. 1.

Scenes from Louisiana



A field of dreams gone to seed on La. 6 near Many in Sabine Parish.

AgCenter moves show

The LSU Board of Supervisors recently approved moving the LSU Livestock Show from its historic home on the LSU campus to the new Lamar-Dixon Expo Center south of Baton Rouge in Ascension Parish.

The annual livestock show, set next year for Feb. 7 - 15, is the premier forum where Louisiana high school students compete for awards with animals they raise each year as part of 4-H and FFA projects.

The Livestock Show, under the aegis of the LSU AgCenter, will sign a 10-year contract with Lamar-Dixon with review after four years, said AgCenter Chancellor Bill Richardson.

The move was sparked by a shortage of parking and a lack of space to grow at the John M. Parker Agricultural Center, built on the LSU campus in 1937.

Lamar-Dixon has 300 fully equipped camper hookups. The

gated facility encompasses 62 acres of concrete, said Flo Magee, executive director of the facility.

In separate facilities, the Expo Center has eight barns, two arenas, a 4-H building, a 24,000-square foot trade mart, a YMCA building, a forestry building, a chapel and a commissary.

Richardson said considerable history and sentiment was out there to keep the event on the LSU campus but the needs of an event the size of the livestock show dictated a new venue.

The new facility will be able to accommodate what has been a 15-day livestock show at LSU in nine days, Richardson said.

Lamar-Dixon is currently scheduled to host a wide range of events including equestrian events, rodeos, archery tournaments, antique, boat and craft, RV and truck, gun and knife, and house and garden shows.

ConAgra sells poultry business

Pilgrim's Pride Corporation, now the nation's second-largest poultry company, will close a deal later this summer to purchase ConAgra Foods Inc.'s chicken business for about \$590 million in cash and stock, recent news reports say.

The sale is significant to Louisiana and its poultry producers because ConAgra currently operates two facilities in the state - a cooking and processing plant in Farmerville that employs about 1,750 people and a large processing complex in Natchitoches that employs about 650 people.

Louisiana Agriculture and Forestry Commissioner Bob Odom said he is happy to have Pilgrim's Pride in Louisiana.

"Pilgrim's Pride has an exceptional reputation in the poultry industry and I am glad they now have a presence in Louisiana," Odom said. "The Department of Agriculture and Forestry looks forward to working with Pilgrim's Pride. Poultry has a tremendous economic impact in this

state and it's important for us to work together to keep the industry alive and well in Louisiana."

Poultry is the most valuable livestock commodity in the state. Its gross farm value is about \$309 million and with further processing, Louisiana's poultry has a total value of about \$605.5 million. Poultry is second only to forestry in the value of all of Louisiana's agricultural commodities.

Prior to the purchase agreement with ConAgra, Pilgrim's Pride was the third-largest chicken company in the U.S. with annual net sales of about \$890 million. In connection with the transaction, Pilgrim's Pride will become a preferred supplier of chicken products to ConAgra.

In a statement from Pilgrim's Pride, the company said it "does not anticipate any significant workforce reductions as a result of the acquisition." It also said Pilgrim's Pride will honor all of ConAgra's collective bargaining agreements with its union employees.



4th of July Favorites

Potato Salad with Mushrooms

6 to 8 medium potatoes, boiled
 4 hard-cooked eggs
 1/2 cup mayonnaise (light)
 1/2 cup sour cream (light)
 1 can mushrooms
 Salt and pepper to taste
 1/2 teaspoon dry mustard

Dice cooled potatoes and eggs. In bowl combine mayonnaise, sour cream, mustard, salt and pepper. Add mushrooms with part of the liquid. Add mixture to potatoes and eggs. Stir until well coated. Chill.

Marinated Green Bean and Potato Salad

1/2 pound green beans, fresh, cut in 1-inch pieces
 2 small new potatoes, thinly sliced
 1/8 teaspoon salt and pepper
 2 tablespoons tarragon vinegar or regular vinegar
 1 small onion, thinly sliced
 1 cup cherry tomatoes, halved

Wash beans & potatoes separately with cold water, drain but don't shake off excess moisture. Sprinkle with salt and pepper. Coat bottom of skillet with Pam. Arrange beans in even layers in bottom of pan. Arrange potato slices on top. Cover & cook over very low heat 12- 14 minutes or until tender. Remove from heat. Let stand 10 minutes. Turn into bowl; add vinegar, onion & tomatoes. Toss well. Chill until serving time.

Oven Fried Chicken

1 cut up chicken
 1 egg
 1/4 cup milk
 1/2 -1 cup bread crumb

--Seasonings--
 1/4 teaspoon garlic powder
 Dash of salt
 Dash of pepper

Preheat oven to 400 degrees. Remove skin from chicken, if you like. Mix egg and milk in a bowl; bread crumbs and seasonings on plate. Dip chicken in egg mixture, then in crumbs. Place chicken in baking pan. Bake for 1 hour, turn over with fork. Continue baking until chicken is done, and golden brown.

Beefy Baked Beans

1/2 pound beef
 1 (31-ounce) can pork and beans
 1 medium onion, chopped
 1/2 cup ketchup
 1/2 cup dark corn syrup
 2 tablespoons mustard
 4 slices bacon, cut in half

Brown ground beef; drain well. Combine beef and next 5 ingredients; stir well. Spoon mixture into a lightly greased 12" X 8" X 2" baking dish. Arrange bacon on top of beans. Bake at 400 degrees for 40 minutes.

Strawberry Watermelon Slush

2 cups cubed watermelon
 1 pint fresh strawberries, cleaned and hulled
 1/3 cup lemon juice from concentrate
 1/2 cup sugar
 2 cups ice cubes
 Mint leaves for garnish (optional)
 Watermelon chunks for garnish (optional)
 Strawberries for garnish (optional)

In blender container, combine all ingredients except ice and garnish; blend well. Gradually add ice, blending until smooth. Garnish as desired. Serve immediately. Makes about 5 cups.

Easy Grilled Vegetables

12 patty pan squash, about 2 inches
 2 medium bell peppers, cut into 1 inch strips
 1 large onion, cut into 1/2 inch slices
 12 large mushrooms
 1/3 cup Italian dressing

Grill squash and bell peppers 4 to 5 inches from medium coals for 5 minutes, turning and brushing with dressing 1 or 2 times. Add onions and mushrooms. Grill 5 to 10 minutes, turning and brushing vegetables with dressing 2 or 3 times, until tender.

Strawberry - Blueberry Fruit Salad Mold

3 3/4 cups water
 1 large package cherry gelatin
 2 tablespoons lemon juice
 1 pint fresh strawberries
 1 1/2 cups fresh blueberries

2 cups seedless grapes, halved
 Salad greens
 French dressing to taste
 1 cup heavy cream, whipped

Heat 2 cups of water. Add flavored gelatin stir until dissolved. Stir in remaining 1 3/4 cups water and lemon juice. Chill until syrupy. Wash & halve strawberries & arrange in bottom of a 3-quart ring mold. Pour in enough of the chilled gelatin with blueberries & grapes. Pour into mold. Chill until firm. When ready to serve, unmold on greens that have been tossed in French dressing.

Coming Your Way



News around the nation

Agriculture & Forestry issues from across the 50 states

LJSC plans shows

The Louisiana Junior Show Circuit (LJSC) has announced the dates for its Cajun Summer Showdown events. The circuit will begin with the Deep South Showdown July 5 at Franklin High School. On July 11, the group moves to Coushatta for the Red River Classic at the Red River Parish Fairgrounds, and on July 19, the group will be in Delhi for the World Classic Show at the Delhi Livestock Show Barn.

Pigs weigh in from 7 a.m. until 9 a.m. and the show begins at 10 a.m. Lambs and goats weigh in from 9 a.m. until 11 a.m. and the show begins immediately following the pig show.

All LJSC members will accumulate points for the end of the year awards banquet.

There are no weight requirements for any animal. Entry fees are \$15 for market and \$5 for showmanship.

For more information, contact Carla Guillory at (337) 478-8461 or Angie Newman at (337) 582-7695 or visit the LJSC Web site at www.ljsc.org.

Arena hosts events

The Acadia Rice Arena will host two upcoming horse events in June and July.

The LACHA Cutting Horse Association will have practice at 8 a.m. and regular activities beginning at 10 a.m. June 28.

For more information, contact Liz Romero at (337) 856-0236

The Acadiana Amateur Timed Events Association will open books at 4 p.m. July 12 and begin events at 6 p.m.

For more information, contact Tommy Smith at (337) 369-6112.

The Acadia Rice Arena is located at 159 Cherokee Drive in Crowley.

Trail ride in July

The Big Butt Trail Ride will be held July 11-13 in Lettsworth.

Riders can begin arriving after 2 p.m. on Friday for the overnight campout and the ride will begin at 9:30 a.m. Saturday.

Cost of the ride is \$8 for adults and \$4 for children. The cost includes a hamburger lunch and barbecue dinner on Saturday. The ride will conclude Sunday morning.

For more information or a free brochure about the ride, contact R.L. Giamanco at (225) 718-0405 or A.G. Sparacino at (225) 492-3244.

Market reopens in NYC

New York Gov. George E. Pataki announced the return of the greenmarket to Lower Manhattan for the first time since the September 11th attacks. The



market was a main attraction at the World Trade Center

for more than 18 years, and has returned as the Liberty Park Greenmarket, located just a block away from its original location.

"The return of the greenmarket is just another sign of the continuing revitalization and renewal of Lower Manhattan, and one of many steps we are taking to bring back the quality of life for those who live, work and raise their families here in the local community," Pataki said. "This produce is some of the best in the country, and I encourage everyone to come down to the Liberty Park Greenmarket and grab an apple, some home-baked bread, or a head of lettuce from a local grower, and enjoy the return of this wonderful market."

State Agriculture Commissioner Nathan L. Rudgers said, "It is wonderful to see the revival of a market that

was so tragically closed. Farmers' markets enhance our quality of life by not only offering farm-fresh, wholesome products, but by providing a direct personal connection between urban communities and farm families. Congratulations to all those involved in reopening this extraordinary market in lower Manhattan."

There will be 15 growers or producers at the greenmarket, all of whom worked at the World Trade Center greenmarket. Of those farmers, 10 are members of the Pride of New York Program. The Pride of New York Program, created by Pataki and administered by the State Department of Agriculture and Markets, is a voluntary, member-based initiative, developed for the promotion of food and agriculture products grown or processed within New York State. Of 280 markets in New York State, 52 are located in New York City.

The new greenmarket location, which will operate until September, is on the corner of Liberty Street and Broadway, across from the World Trade Center site. The market includes goods such as local fruit, vegetables, cider, flowers, baked goods, jams and jellies, eggs, butter and cheese and will be open every Tuesday and Thursday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Wash. uses DNA in cattle case

Modern day science defeated an old time cattle rustler earlier this year when DNA testing was used to prove the theft of seven calves. It's the first time DNA testing, so often used to resolve cases involving humans, has unraveled a livestock complaint brought before the Washington Department of Agriculture (WSDA).

Matthew David Goodwin of Deer Park was sentenced to 30 days in jail, with one year of community supervision, after he pled guilty to charges of livestock theft and forgery in March. He also was ordered to pay a \$4,000 fine and \$5,600 in restitution, court costs and victim assessments. The charges were the result of a four-month investigation by WSDA and the Washington State Patrol.

A Cheney area rancher accused Goodwin of stealing his calves. WSDA recovered the calves and DNA testing confirmed that they were the offspring of the rancher's cows. The calves had not yet been branded, a common manner used to prove ownership of livestock and horses.

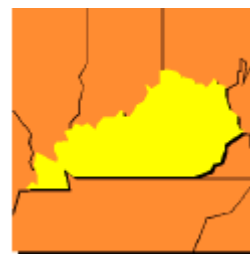
"It was interesting to see a modern-day scientific technique foil one of the oldest professions," said Dr. Robert Mead, state veterinarian. "Our livestock investigator Ron Ferguson and livestock inspector Kris Budde were quite pleased to have solid evidence to resolve the case. The DNA evidence showed conclusively that the stolen calves were the offspring of another man's cows."

WSDA's Livestock Identification Program provides a vital public service for the \$492 million cattle industry. The program maintains the official recordings of about 7,000 livestock brands and protects cattle and horse owners by requiring proof of ownership when animals are moved out of state. Cattle also must be inspected at every change of ownership and horse ownership must be verified at public sales. Last year, WSDA inspected nearly 625,000 cattle and 14,000 horses.



Ky. worm farmers bilked by Oklahoma company

Hundreds of Kentucky worm farmers have been forced to find markets for their products after the collapse of an Oklahoma company.



B&B Worm Farms

of Meeker, Okla., has failed to buy live worms or pay for delivered worms as agreed in contracts with more than 800 Kentucky producers and thousands of others throughout the United States, according to lawsuits filed in Oklahoma and Kentucky. B&B filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy in April.

"The producers who entered into contracts with B&B did so in good faith in an effort to make more money on the farm," Kentucky Agriculture Commissioner Billy Ray Smith said. "The Kentucky Department of Agriculture's marketing office will do everything it can to help them find markets for their products."

"We in the Department of Agriculture understand the urgency of this matter. Some of our producers were to have delivered worms and taken payment by now. The department is working hard to help the producers who were caught in

the middle of this situation."

Kentucky Attorney General Ben Chandler sued B&B and the company president, Lynn Bradley, in April, claiming the defen-

dants had made false claims about the earnings potential of the worm business while promoting the venture in Kentucky and more than 20 other states. The suit said farmers paid B&B between \$2,000 and \$60,000 for contracts that require the Oklahoma company to buy back all the worms the farmers could produce at guaranteed prices of \$7 to \$9 per pound. The suit says B&B failed to register with the Consumer Protection Division and post bond as required by state law.

The Oklahoma Department of Securities filed a civil lawsuit in April against B&B, Lynn Bradley, and the estate of Greg Bradley. The department obtained a temporary restraining order against the defendants and froze their assets. The ODS believes the defendants received more than \$20 million in connection with the business opportunity, the Department said in its civil suit.

Mich. cow tests positive for TB

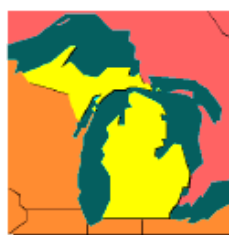
Michigan animal health officials announced that a beef cow from an Antrim County herd, which had originated from the state's known TB-affected area of Presque Isle County, has been confirmed as bovine TB positive.

According to Michigan Department of Agriculture State Veterinarian Dr. Joan Arnoldi, the movement of the animal was legal as the Presque Isle County herd had gone through two annual whole-herd tests before the producer received a permit to move. Both herds have been quarantined and animal movement in and out of the herds will be traced.

"While this discovery presents an initial challenge to the state and area producers, we expect after traces are complete that we do not have a risk of bovine TB in Antrim County due to the aggressive testing and surveillance that has been conducted to date," Arnoldi said. "We will also be implementing various testing requirements, per our detailed protocol, in the area to ensure appropriate follow up and that we do not have the disease anywhere else in the County."

Arnoldi also said that she does not expect this to delay or affect the U.S. Department of Agriculture's decision on split state status for

Michigan. Antrim County falls into the "blue area" or transition zone on the



Michigan zonal map, which requires two whole-herd tests before the end of 2003. The Antrim County herd was undergoing its final required test and the cow was tagged with electronic identification, which made it very easy to trace.

Epidemiologists will be conducting on-farm visits to look at everything from farm bio-security measures and potential wildlife incursions to animal husbandry practices and purchase and sale records in efforts to identify TB transmission and to prevent reoccurrence.

The state's Bovine TB Eradication Project is a multi-agency team of experts from the Michigan Departments of Agriculture, Community Health, and Natural Resources, Michigan State University, and the U.S. Department of Agriculture. It continues to work collaboratively with input from the agriculture industry and local communities to eradicate the disease from Michigan.

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river front at Festival Plaza
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Lake Charles
Lake Charles Farmers Market
317 Pine Street
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EAST BATON ROUGE PARISH

Baton Rouge
Red Stick Farmers Market #1
On Fifth St. near Main & Galvez
Parking Garage
Sat. 7 - 11 a.m. May - Sept.
Sat. 8 a.m. - noon Oct. - April
Red Stick Farmers Market #2
8470 Goodwood Blvd.
Unitarian Church Parking Lot
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May - July, Sept. - Dec.

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New Iberia
Teche Area Farmers Market
Iberia St. & Main St. at Bouligny
Plaza
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LAFAYETTE PARISH
Lafayette
Acadiana Farmers Market
801 Foreman Dr. & Dulles St.
Tues., Thurs. & Sat.
5 - 10 a.m. Jan. - Dec.

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Thibodaux Main Street Market
La. Hwy. 1 & Maronge St.
Sat. 7 - 11 a.m.
May - Nov.

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Tallulah
Tallulah's Farmers Market
408 N. Cedar St., Hwy. 165
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8 a.m. - noon
June - Nov.

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Bastrop
Morehouse Farmers Market
305 East Madison St.
Mon. - Sat. 7 a.m. - 7 p.m.
June - Dec.

NATCHITOCHES PARISH

Natchitoches
Cane River Green Market
Cane River Bank - downtown
Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
April - Nov.

ORLEANS PARISH

New Orleans
Crescent City Farmers Market
Location #1 - 700 Magazine St.
Saturday 8 a.m. - noon
Jan. - Dec.
#2 - Uptown Square, 200
Broadway
Tues. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
Jan. - Dec.
#3 - American Can Co., 3700
Orleans Ave.
Thurs. 3 - 7 p.m.
Jan. - Dec.

OUACHITA PARISH

Monroe
Monroe Farmers Market
1212 Washington St.
Mon. - Sat. 5 a.m. - 1 p.m.
June - Oct.

West Monroe

West Monroe Farmers Market
1700 North 7th St.
Mon. - Sat. 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.

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German Coast Farmers Market
13786 River Rd., Ormond
Plantation
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St. Landry Farmers Market
952 East Landry St.,
Hwy. 90
Tues., Thurs. & Sat.
6 a.m. - 11 a.m.
mid May - Nov.

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St. Martinville
St. Martinville Creole Farmers
Market
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Sat. 8 - 11:30 a.m.
Jan. - Dec.

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City Hall, 609 North Columbia
Sat. 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.
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Jan. - Dec.

Mandeville

Mandeville Trailhead
Community Market
675 Lafitte St.
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Hammond
Cate Square Farmers Market
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Jan. - Dec.

TERREBONNE PARISH

Houma
Cajun Farmers Market of Houma
- Terrebonne
Tunnel Blvd. & Naquin St.
Mon. - Sat.
6 a.m. - 6 p.m.
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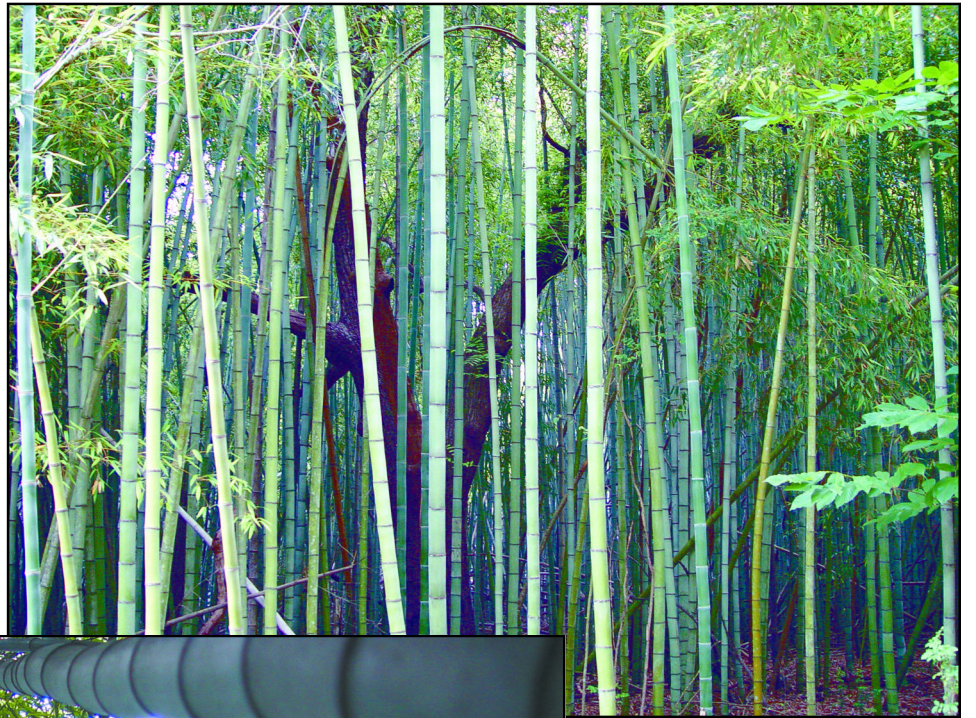
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STANDING TALL



Soaring 60 feet into Washington Parish skies, Joe Dobie's henon cane blacks out the sun, chokes off life-sustaining light for majestic oaks and engulfs old homesteads.

Joe Dobie's bamboo: A blessing or a blight?

Joe Dobie's bamboo crop gives the impression of a jungle of cane fishing poles on steroids. It is doing exceedingly well this year in Louisiana's subtropical climate where near-perfect conditions have the glorified-grass standing taller than a six-story building.

There's only one problem. Dobie has little to no market for his unusual crop.

"We don't know if it's a blessing or a blight," the 68-year-old Dobie said of his 20-acres of henon, golden, yellow and palm bamboo varieties.

"My wife's second cousin, Victor Ott, was an engineer who worked on the Panama Canal in the 1920's and he planted the cane," Dobie said. "So the grove is 70 years old. When I came into the family in the 1960s it was mature then."

The grove, located near the northwestern Washington Parish town of Mt. Hermon, has an eerie and spooky feel. The 60-foot canopy of the henon cane blocks out the sun and darkens the forest floor, destroying vegetation that tries to compete for the sunlight. "There were 150 varieties of camellia here once," Dobie said. "Crepe myrtles, cedar trees, under-

brush. They're all gone."

The henon bamboo can grow a foot a day and has a diameter reaching five inches. Several mighty old oaks have died, choked off from the light. Others are waging a losing battle to survive under the canopy of darkness.

Dobie is searching for a market for the tender bamboo shoots commonly used in Asian recipes.

"I thought they'd really go over because nobody is growing them fresh, but the oriental trade is pretty particular," Dobie said. "I'm not sure what we have to do to get involved with them."

"We have a tremendous amount we can sell, but we can't do anything with it so far."

The bamboo shoot harvest is seasonal and comes up in the last weeks of April, but could be extended if there is enough rainfall.

Dobie has managed to find limited uses for his unique crop.

"The golden cane makes a real pretty ornamental kind of stick so I make walking canes out of them because they're very hard and sturdy," Dobie said. His neighbor, Ernest Thibodeaux, a transplanted Cajun from Cut-Off, fashions hardwood handles made of oak or

cypress for the bamboo canes.

Dobie said other markets are tiny. He makes a small serving tray by splitting a bamboo rod in two, and fashions the large diameter stalks into a type of drinking vessel. He has a Colorado buyer for a couple of truckloads a year of the henon variety where the cane is split and shaped into an ornamental longbow, as in bow and arrow. The root of the bamboo, which is

extremely hard, is used to make flutes.

Dobie cans the bamboo shoots, which he sells along with his poultry products, jams and jellies at the Red Stick Farmer's Market in Baton Rouge and the Crescent City Markets in New Orleans.

Meanwhile the bamboo grove expands and has nearly taken over several buildings near the property.

"I guess I'd have to get a Ditch Witch and dig about two feet deep around the area and then pour concrete to create a barrier. Then watch to see if it grows over the top and keep it cut back that way. That's about the only way I know to contain it," Dobie said.



Dobie has a modest market for hand-crafted walking sticks (from top). The tougher-than-nails roots spread everywhere but make a fine flute. He assembles a couple of truckloads of bamboo each year for a Colorado buyer who turns them into ornamental bows.



Family roots go deep in Washington Parish.